

Philip Morris USA vs. Mayola Williams

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Review of Court's previous decisions regarding punitive damages. The Court should not be setting substantive due process standards for punitive damage cases. Lower Courts have interpreted the Court's opinion in *Campbell V. State Farm Mut. Auto Ins. Co.*, as requiring a single digit ratio for the award of punitive damages. UP does not agree with this interpretation. UP takes that position that *Campbell* is unclear on this issue and before state courts automatically apply the single digit ratio, which is often in conflict with state law requirements for such as award, the Supreme Court of the United States must clarify its position.

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