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## No Harm, No Foul? Not So Fast: The Illinois Supreme Court Allows BIPA Lawsuits Without Allegations of Actual Injury

On Jan. 25, 2019, the Illinois Supreme Court unanimously held that a mere technical violation of the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act (BIPA) is sufficient to confer standing to sue for injunctive relief and monetary damages. This ruling has substantially increased the number of BIPA lawsuits brought in the state of Illinois, and that number will likely continue to climb.

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# SCOTUS Makes It Clear: An Ambiguous Arbitration Agreement Does Not Give Rise to Class Arbitration

In a significant decision regarding the Federal Arbitration Act (FAA), the Supreme Court of the United States recently emphasized once again that class-wide arbitration is not allowed unless the parties to an arbitration agreement explicitly and unambiguously consented to it. Read more about the implications regarding class-wide arbitration.

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