

# Walter Olson on Walmart

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The Cato Institute's Walter Olson, author of [Schools for Misrule](#), has an [op-ed](#) in the Philadelphia Inquirer about the Supreme Court's decision in *Wal-Mart v. Dukes*:

The misconceptions about this case begin with the identities of the real combatants. On NPR's *Marketplace* this week, Slate's Dahlia Lithwick described the plaintiffs as "1.5 million female employees of Wal-Mart who are trying to file a class-action suit." But, of course, most of those women are not "trying" to do anything of the sort.

Rather, a relative handful of them have hired lawyers, and those lawyers daringly sought to get themselves declared the legal representatives of the other 1.496 million (or however many), who have expressed no inclination whatsoever to sue.

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