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Class Actions

## Remaining Claims Against Mail Boxes Etc. And UPS Store Dismissed

A federal court in California has dismissed the claims of the remaining franchisee classmembers in *Samica Enterprises, LLC, et al. v. Mail Boxes Etc. USA, Inc., et al.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 21343 (C.D. Cal. Feb. 26, 2010). In granting summary judgment against these more than 200 putative plaintiffs, the court rejected their attempts to circumvent the prior decisions dismissing claims of two representative subclasses. The claims all arose out of the efforts of the defendants to convert Mail Boxes Etc. franchisees to UPS Store franchisees, which the plaintiffs claimed to be a fraud and a violation of other state laws. On mostly procedural grounds, the court upheld its prior rulings under California law.