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<u>Climate Change Lawsuit Reaches the US Supreme Court.</u>

The US Supreme Court recently granted certiorari in an important climate change lawsuit, *BP P.L.C. v. Mayor and City Council of Baltimore*. The lawsuit pits the Mayor and City of Baltimore against twenty-six multinational oil and gas companies that Baltimore claims are responsible for climate change. Baltimore alleges that the companies contributed to climate change by producing, promoting, and (misleadingly) marketing fossil fuel products long after learning of the climate-related dangers associated with them. Specifically, Baltimore argues that the companies engaged in a "coordinated, multi-front effort" to conceal their collective knowledge of climate change. Also that the companies discredited the "growing body of publicly available scientific evidence," and worked to "undermine public support for regulations of their business practices." Baltimore seeks relief for "climate change-related injuries."

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