

No. 17-___

IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO COMPANY,
Petitioner,

v.

JAN GROSSMAN, as personal representative of the
Estate of Laura Grossman, deceased,
Respondent.

**On Petition For A Writ Of Certiorari
To The Florida District Court Of Appeal
For The Fourth District**

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI

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QUESTION PRESENTED

This case presents a question also raised in the petition for a writ of certiorari filed September 15, 2017, in *R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. v. Graham*, No. 17-415:

When there is no way to tell whether a prior jury found particular facts against a party, does due process permit those facts to be conclusively presumed against that party in subsequent litigation?

**PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING
AND RULE 29.6 STATEMENT**

The plaintiff below was Jan Grossman, as personal representative of the estate of his deceased wife, Laura Grossman.

The defendant below was petitioner R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. The complaint also named as defendants Philip Morris USA Inc., Lorillard Tobacco Company, Liggett Group LLC, and Vector Group Ltd., but those entities were dismissed before trial and were not parties to the appeal.

Petitioner R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Holdings, Inc., which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Reynolds American Inc., which in turn is an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of British American Tobacco p.l.c., a publicly held corporation.

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