

# The Constitution's Dormant Commerce Clause Limits The Power of States to Tax Their Residents — *Comptroller of the Treasury Of Maryland v. Brian Wynne et ux.*

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## MARYLAND STATUTE

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*Comptroller of the Treasury of Maryland v. Brian Wynne et ux.*  
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## MARYLAND'S REACTION TO DECISION

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<sup>67</sup> *Id.* at 1811.  
<sup>68</sup> T a : "W a f  
W a 1787 f W  
C Ma a f N W J b W b a f  
C b a a ." *Id.* 1807.  
<sup>69</sup> *Id.* at 1813.  
<sup>70</sup> S. , *Letters Clear Way for Maryland Tax Refund Under High Court 'Wynne' Ruling*, 109 Da. Ta. R., H-2 (J 8, 2015).  
<sup>71</sup> S. , *'Wynne' Ruling Prompts Maryland County Budget Cutting*, 2015 Ta. M. L. W. S. a. Ta. R., 10 (J 17, 2015).  
<sup>72</sup> M. H.B. 72 (2015).

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<sup>73</sup> L. f. A. G a B a E. F. P. V. R. F. a C. f. Ma a, Ma 29, 2015.  
<sup>74</sup> *Id.* Wynne at 1806.  
<sup>75</sup> M. H.B. 72 a 26 (2015), a M. C. A. Ta -G 10-703. S. 4, a a a a W a a a a a a S. 26 ta ta a 4 b Wynne a a Ma a  
<sup>76</sup> *Id.* S. 27 a b a Wynne a a b a F a a b a C a W a b a b a  
<sup>77</sup> M. S.B. 172 (2014), a M. C. A. Ta -G 13-604.  
<sup>78</sup> I a L L L Ma a G Ma O'Ma a Ma 14, 2014, L A G a D a Ga ta ta a a a a a a a C a A, a a ta a a a a b a b





