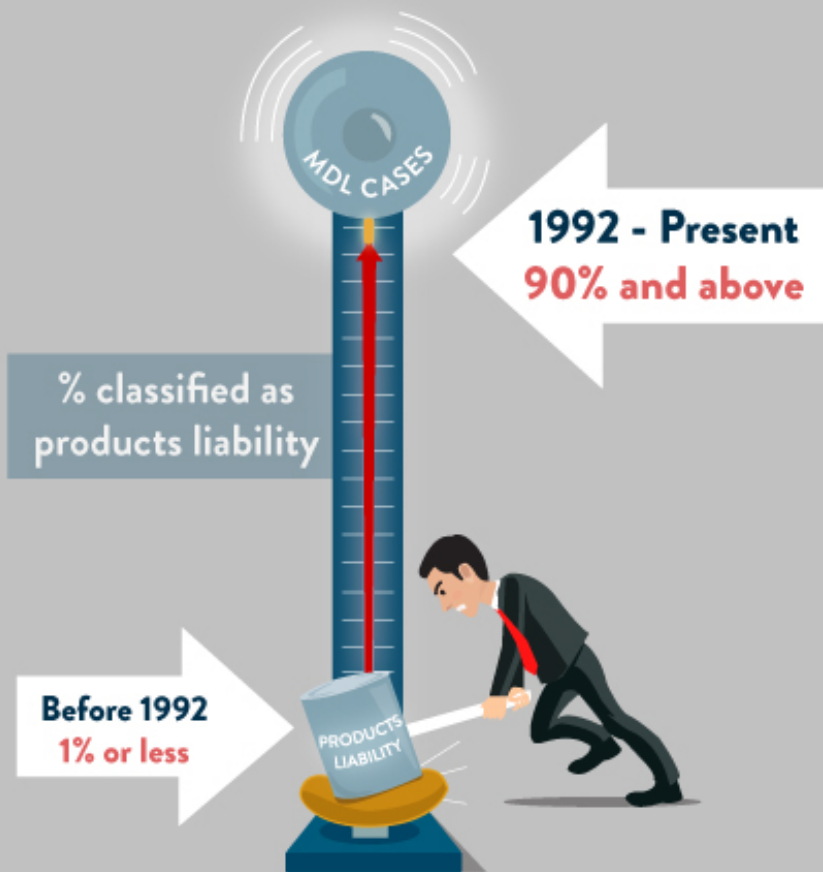


Meet a FORCE Behind MDLs: PRODUCTS LIABILITY CASES



- For over two decades, PL cases have made up around **90%** of all pending MDL cases ¹ and at the end of FY 2017 represented **42%** of the entire civil docket. ²
- Before 1992, mass tort products liability cases were **1%** or less of all pending MDL cases. ³
- The FRCP are supposed to apply to all cases. That's why parties involved in MDL cases — 90% of which are products liability cases — believe FRCP changes are necessary to cover procedures such as *discovery*, *dismissal of frivolous claims*, *joinder*, *bellwether trials*, and *interlocutory appeal*, which would benefit all MDL cases.

It's time to **STRENGTHEN** the FRCP to cover **ALL** cases.
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1) <http://www.jpml.uscourts.gov/statistics-info> (FY 92-97) 2) Based on Duke Law Center methodology. Civil cases include all cases minus Social Security and prisoner cases, except death penalty cases. http://www.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/data_tables/farm_na_distprofile0930.2017.pdf
3) <http://www.jpml.uscourts.gov/statistics-info> (Legacy). Data end date before 1992 is 6/30 instead of 9/30.