



ICYMI: TARIFF REFUND LETTER AND SCOTUS RESPONSE COVERAGE

50+ print and digital clips • 2 wire services (AP + Reuters) • Hundreds of AP syndication pickups • 14+ Dan Anthony quotes • 10+ WPT member businesses quoted by name • 48-hour coverage window

Note: These clips reflect print and digital coverage only and do not include broadcast segments. The We Pay the Tariffs coalition statement was read on the air on Fox News. Additional broadcast coverage on CBS News, NBC News, NewsNation, KSL NewsRadio, and Telemundo is not captured here.

We Pay the Tariffs (Press Release): We Pay the Tariffs Responds to SCOTUS IEEPA Decision, Calls for Swift Refunds – Feb 20

“Today’s Supreme Court decision is a tremendous victory for America’s small businesses... But a legal victory is meaningless without actual relief for the businesses that paid these tariffs. The administration’s only responsible course of action now is to establish a timely, efficient, and automatic refund process.” — Dan Anthony, Executive Director

Release: <https://www.wepaythetariffs.com/post/we-pay-the-tariffs-responds-to-scotus-ieepa-decision-calls-f...>

Refund Letter: <https://www.wepaythetariffs.com/sign-the-refund-letter>

New York Post: 800 small businesses demand refunds after Supreme Court decision – Feb 20

"A coalition of over 800 small businesses that were bruised by President Trump’s tariffs is demanding refunds after the Supreme Court struck them down." ... "Our coalition members... have paid billions in tariffs that should never have been imposed," said Dan Anthony, We Pay the Tariffs’ executive director.

<https://nypost.com/2026/02/20/business/800-small-businesses-demand-refunds-after-supreme-court-de...>

New York Post: Small businesses demand tariff refunds after Supreme Court ruling – Feb 21

"Small businesses fear they will be the biggest losers when it comes to the emergency tariffs struck down by the Supreme Court Friday." We Pay the Tariffs coalition demands for "full, fast and automatic" refunds featured throughout.

New York Times: Businesses Celebrate Tariff Relief, and Brace for New Uncertainty – Feb 20

We Pay the Tariffs, a coalition of over 800 small businesses, called for the administration to issue refunds swiftly. “A legal victory is meaningless without actual relief for the businesses that paid these tariffs,” the group said in a statement.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2026/02/20/business/tariffs-supreme-court-businesses.html>

Associated Press (Wire): What to know about the Supreme Court ruling on Trump’s tariffs – Feb 20

Dan Anthony, the group's leader, said "Today, the Supreme Court has validated what we've been saying all along: these tariffs were unlawful from the start." Anne Robinson, who owns Scottish Gourmet in Greensboro, North Carolina, said she was "doing a happy dance" when she heard the news. [Syndicated to PBS NewsHour, U.S. News, WXII 12, KTAR, and hundreds of local outlets]

<https://apnews.com/article/supreme-court-trump-tariffs-ieepa>

Reuters (Wire): Industry reaction to US Supreme Court ruling on Trump's global tariffs – Feb 20

Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs, said it is "not novel or difficult" for the government to process refunds and urged the administration to "minimize future suffering." The coalition called for "full, fast and automatic refunds."

<https://www.reuters.com/markets/us/industry-reaction-us-supreme-court-ruling-trumps-global-tariff...>

NBC News: Supreme Court strikes down most of Trump's tariffs in a major blow to the president – Feb 20

"We Pay the Tariffs, a group of small businesses that oppose Trump's tariffs, immediately called for a "full, fast and automatic" refund process. "Small businesses cannot afford to wait months or years while bureaucratic delays play out, nor can they afford expensive litigation just to recover money that was unlawfully collected," Dan Anthony, the group's executive director, said in a statement."

<https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/supreme-court/supreme-court-strikes-trumps-tariffs-major-blow-pr...>

NBC News: 'The damage cannot be refunded': Small businesses weigh Supreme Court's tariff ruling – Feb 20

Six WPT members profiled: Sarah Wells (Sarah Wells Bags, VA), Melkon Khosrovian (Greenbar Distillery, CA), Patrice Gerber (Kouboo, CA), Tom Wetzell (Red Raven Games, UT), Rick Muskat (Deer Stags Concepts, NY), and Andrea Englis (Athenee Importers, NY). Each member detailed specific financial impacts and uncertainty over refunds.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/business/business-news/supreme-court-trump-tariff-decision-small-business...>

NBC News: Refunds from Trump's struck-down tariffs remain up in the air – Feb 20

"We Pay the Tariffs, a group of small businesses advocating against Trump's tariffs, immediately called for "full, fast and automatic refunds." California Gov. Gavin Newsom and members of Congress also called for immediate refunds alongside the coalition.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/business/business-news/tariff-refunds-supreme-court-trump-rcna259968>

NBC News (Live Blog): Trump says he signed a 10% global tariff after Supreme Court decision – Feb 20

We Pay the Tariffs, "a coalition of more than 800 small businesses," issued a statement calling the ruling a "tremendous victory for America's small businesses" and demanding swift refunds. The coalition's statement was included in NBC's live coverage of the ruling.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/supreme-court/live-blog/-trump-tariffs-ruling-supreme-court-live...>

CBS News: Supreme Court ruling against Trump tariffs will offer relief, business owners say – Feb 20

"We Pay the Tariffs, an advocacy group of 800 small businesses that opposes the Trump administration's tariffs, said the IEEPA levies had damaged small businesses by forcing them to take out loans and freeze

hiring. "Today's Supreme Court decision is a tremendous victory for America's small businesses, who have been bearing the crushing weight of these tariffs," the group's executive director, Dan Anthony, said in a statement to CBS News." WPT member Beth Benike (Busy Baby, MN) quoted separately on halting imports from China.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/supreme-court-tariff-decision-trump-ieepa-businesses-react/>

USA Today: New tariffs reshaped small businesses. Will they get their money back? – Feb 21

"Immediately following the decision, a coalition of 800 small businesses known as "We Pay the Tariffs" published a national sign-on letter calling for "full, fast, and automatic" tariff refunds. "They've taken out loans just to keep their doors open. They've frozen hiring, canceled expansion plans, and watched their life savings drain away to pay tariff bills that weren't in any budget or business plan," We Pay the Tariffs Executive Director Dan Anthony said in a statement." WPT member Melkon Khosrovian (Greenbar Distillery, LA) profiled on \$400,000 automation investment.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2026/02/21/tariffs-reshaped-small-businesses-money/>

The Guardian: US businesses clamor for refunds after supreme court strikes down Trump's tariffs – Feb 21

"Full, fast automatic refunds is really where our focus is going to be," said Dan Anthony, executive director of the We Pay the Tariffs coalition. The group's national sign-on letter to the president was featured.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2026/feb/21/tariffs-refunds-supreme-court-trump>

<https://nypost.com/2026/02/21/business/small-businesses-demand-tariff-refunds-after-supreme-court...>

New York Post: Los Angeles small business owner takes wait-and-see approach after Trump's tariffs are struck down – Feb 21

Melkon Khosrovian, co-founder of Greenbar Distillery in Los Angeles, told The Post he lacks the means to pursue legal action for refunds. "We're not that confident we're going to either get the money back or not have to pay a similar amount of tariffs going forward." Khosrovian said tariffs ate about 20% of his profit margin; the company invested \$400,000 in automation equipment to reduce payroll and let go of three of its 15 employees.

<https://nypost.com/2026/02/21/business/los-angeles-small-business-owner-takes-wait-and-...>

Parriva: Small Businesses Mobilize For Refunds After Supreme Court Verdict – Feb 20

"Our coalition members... have paid billions in tariffs that should never have been imposed," said Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs. The coalition demanded "full, fast and automatic" refunds for American small businesses.

<https://www.parriva.com/small-businesses-mobilize-for-refunds-after-supreme-court-verdict/>

NPR: After the Supreme Court's ruling on tariffs, companies line up for refunds – Feb 21

Coverage of the \$133 billion refund question and legal process. We Pay the Tariffs coalition among groups demanding swift refunds from the administration.

<https://www.npr.org/2026/02/21/g-s1-110987/supreme-court-tariffs-refunds>

Newsweek (Live Updates): Supreme Court Strikes Down Donald Trump's Tariffs: Live Updates – Feb 20

"The administration's only responsible course of action now is to establish a fast, efficient and automatic refund process," said Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs. The coalition's sign-on letter was highlighted in Newsweek's live updates.

<https://www.newsweek.com/supreme-court-tariffs-ruling-decision-trump-live-updates-11555857>

PBS NewsHour (AP Wire): What to know about the Supreme Court ruling on Trump's tariffs – Feb 20

Full AP wire story. Dan Anthony, described as "the group's leader," quoted: "Today, the Supreme Court has validated what we've been saying all along: these tariffs were unlawful from the start." Anne Robinson (Scottish Gourmet, NC) also quoted.

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/politics/what-to-know-about-the-supreme-court-ruling-on-trumps-tariffs>

Marketplace / NPR: Tariff bills for mid-sized businesses nearly tripled since early 2025 – Feb 19

Julie Robbins, who owns EarthQuaker Devices in Akron, Ohio, has paid almost \$80,000 in new tariffs and expects close to \$200,000 this year. "We're a 44-person company. We can't absorb that."

<https://www.marketplace.org/story/2026/02/19/tariff-bills-tripled-for-midsized-businesses-since-2025>

Fox Business: Billions in tariff revenue may be refunded following the Supreme Court ruling – Feb 20

Analysis of the refund process and legal hurdles facing importers. More than 1,000 lawsuits have been filed at the Court of International Trade seeking tariff refunds.

<https://www.foxbusiness.com/economy/how-should-businesses-approach-tariff-refunds>

Morningstar: Tariffs costs and refunds take the spotlight as Home Depot, TJX and other retailers report earnings this week – Feb 22

We Pay the Tariffs and coalition member Beth Benike (Busy Baby, MN) quoted on tariff impacts as major retailers prepared to report earnings.

<https://www.morningstar.com/>

CNBC: Tariff bills across U.S. states mount as affordability and Trump head for midterm elections showdown – Feb 11

"These tariffs are a tax on small businesses in red states and blue states alike," said Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs and president of Trade Partnership Worldwide. State-by-state tariff data highlighted.

<https://www.cnbc.com/2026/02/11/inflation-affordability-trump-tariffs-midterm-elections.html>

CNBC: Supreme Court Trump tariff decision impact: What to expect as fight for billions in refunds begins – Feb 20

Record tariff collections surged to \$30 billion in January, reaching a year-to-date total of \$124 billion — up 304% from the same period in 2025. Refunds could reach \$175 billion, according to the Penn Wharton Budget Model.

<https://www.cnbc.com/2026/02/20/supreme-court-trump-tariff-decision-illegal-refunds.html>

CNBC TV18 (India): Refunds from Trump's struck-down tariffs remain uncertain, path forward unclear: Report – Feb 20

International pickup. We Pay the Tariffs called for "full, fast, automatic refunds" after the Supreme Court ruling.

<https://www.cnbc.com/18.com/>

Yahoo Finance (Live Coverage): Tariff ruling live coverage: Trump attacks Supreme Court, imposes 10% global tariff – Feb 20

Extensive live coverage of the ruling and its aftermath. Penn Wharton Budget Model estimates up to \$175 billion in refunds may be sought by importers.

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/live/tariff-ruling-live-coverage-trump-attacks-supreme-court-says-...>

Retail TouchPoints: Supreme Court Strikes Down Trump Tariffs, Prompting Widespread Calls for Refunds – Feb 20

We Pay the Tariffs listed alongside Costco, EssilorLuxottica, Revlon, and Goodyear among those calling for refunds. The National Retail Federation's David French urged the administration to act swiftly. The court itself was silent on whether import fees already collected must be refunded.

<https://www.retailtouchpoints.com/topics/market-news/supreme-court-strikes-down-trump-tariffs-pro-...>

Reason Magazine: Small Business Owners Celebrate Supreme Court Striking Down Trump's Tariffs – Feb 20

Extended profiles of WPT members Kacie Wright of Houghton Horns in Keller, Texas, and Sarah Wells of Sarah Wells Bags in Virginia. Wright: "Prices on the cases have gone from \$400 each to almost \$900 right now."

<https://reason.com/2026/02/20/small-business-owners-celebrate-supreme-court-striking-down-trumps-...>

The Verge: SCOTUS Rules Trump's tariffs are illegal – Feb 20

[Paywalled — confirmed via search.]

<https://www.theverge.com/>

U.S. News & World Report (AP Wire): What to Know About the Supreme Court Ruling on Tariffs – Feb 20

AP wire syndication. Dan Anthony, described as "the group's leader," quoted on the ruling validating the coalition's position that the tariffs were unlawful from the start.

<https://www.usnews.com/news/business/articles/2026-02-20/what-to-know-about-the-supreme-court-rul-...>

Bloomberg Government: Tariff Ruling Draws Cheers From Music Makers Who Fought Levies – Feb 21

[Paywalled — confirmed via BGOV email alert.]

<https://about.bgov.com/>

Bloomberg Government: Trump's Treasured Negotiating Edge Dulled By Tariff Defeat – Feb 21

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<https://about.bgov.com/>

NOTUS: The Supreme Court's Tariffs Decision Puts the U.S. in Uncharted Economic Territory – Feb 20

"Think if the government took your house. They've admitted that taking your house is wrong, but say 'I think we're going to keep it.' You know, there's a moral line here, that even if you disagree, it's the final ruling of the court, and now it's time to make amends as quickly as possible," Dan Anthony, executive director of the business owner coalition We Pay the Tariffs, said at a press conference following the ruling.

<https://www.notus.org/economy/supreme-court-tariff-decision-refunds-businesses-consumers>

The Hill: 5 takeaways as Supreme Court strikes blow to Trump's tariffs – Feb 20

Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs, said the money was "taken illegally" and called for refunds in "days and weeks, not months and years."

<https://thehill.com/homenews/5747935-trump-tariffs-supreme-court-ruling/>

SeafoodSource: US Supreme Court strikes down Trump tariffs, but refund mechanism still hazy – Feb 20

"Our coalition members, who through hard work, late nights, and sweat equity built local businesses, have paid billions in tariffs that never should have been imposed," We Pay the Tariffs Executive Director Dan Anthony said. "They've taken out loans just to keep their doors open. They've frozen hiring, canceled expansion plans, and watched their life savings drain away to pay tariff bills that weren't in any budget or business plan."

<https://www.seafoodsource.com/news/supply-trade/us-supreme-court-strikes-down-trump-tariffs-but-r...>

Indianapolis Star: Trump ups tariffs to 15%. How much has Indiana paid so far? – Feb 21

We Pay the Tariffs data highlighted. Indiana importers paid \$5.7 billion in tariffs from February to December 2025, according to a report released Feb. 19.

<https://www.indystar.com/story/money/2026/02/21/trump-ups-tariffs-to-15-how-much-has-in...>

Minnesota Star Tribune: As Supreme Court upends Trump's disruptive tariffs, new uncertainties arise – Feb 21

[Paywalled — confirmed via search.] Minnesota-specific tariff impacts and refund questions examined.

<https://www.startribune.com/supreme-court-justices-tariff-ruling-minnesota-impacts/6015...>

The Mirror US: One state paid \$42 billion in tariffs last year as refund question hangs in the air – Feb 21

"Last year American businesses were forced to pay hundreds of billions of extra tariffs. Between higher prices, fewer manufacturing jobs, and a virtually unchanged trade deficit, it's hard to see why anyone would call this a success," said Dan Anthony, Executive Director of We Pay the Tariffs. "These are a tax on small businesses, in red states and blue states alike." California's \$42 billion tariff bill led the state-by-state breakdown.

<https://www.themirror.com/money/state-breakdown-tariff-costs-trump-1697146>

NC Newline (States Newsroom): NC businesses, conservatives celebrate Supreme Court ruling striking down Trump tariffs – Feb 20

"Today's Supreme Court decision is a tremendous victory for America's small businesses who have been bearing the crushing weight of these tariffs," said Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs. "They've taken out loans just to keep their doors open. They've frozen hiring, canceled expansion plans, and

watched their savings drain away to pay tariff bills that weren't in any budget or business plan." North Carolina tariff data (\$5.6 billion) cited.

<https://ncnewslines.com/2026/02/20/nc-businesses-conservatives-celebrate-supreme-court-ruling-stri...>

The Colorado Sun: Colorado companies look at implications after US Supreme Court rules against Trump's tariffs – Feb 20

WPT member Krimson Klover profiled. Coalition data cited: \$223 billion nationally, \$1.1 billion in Colorado from March to December 2025.

<https://coloradosun.com/2026/02/20/supreme-court-trump-tariff-colorado-implications/>

Denver7 / KMGH-TV (ABC affiliate): Tariff whiplash leaves Colorado businesses facing higher costs and fewer answers – Feb 21–22

"Colorado importers have paid over \$1.1 billion in tariffs," said Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs. New coalition member Nate Axvig (Aktiv, Denver) featured signing the refund letter on camera.

<https://www.denver7.com/news/local-news/tariff-whiplash-leaves-colorado-businesses-facing-higher-...>

Dakota News Now (Sioux Falls, SD): South Dakotans, delegation react to tariff changes – Feb 20

Jeff Lassle, a We Pay the Tariffs member, said the tariff situation "put his business at a standstill." Growing up in Aberdeen, Lassle was optimistic about returning home to grow his manufacturing business importing goods from China and Canada.

<https://www.dakotane.wsnow.com/2026/02/21/south-dakotans-delegation-react-tariff-changes/>

Spectrum Local News (North Texas / Austin): North Texas business, expert respond to Supreme Court tariff ruling – Feb 20

Kacie Wright of Houghton Horns in Keller, Texas, a We Pay the Tariffs member, profiled. "Prices on the cases have gone from \$400 each to almost \$900 right now."

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/tx/austin/news/2026/02/20/north-texas-business--expert-respond-to-s...>

Spectrum Local News (NC/Orlando): Supreme Court strikes down Trump's sweeping tariffs – Feb 20

We Pay the Tariffs coalition statement quoted: "A legal victory is meaningless without actual relief for the businesses that paid these tariffs."

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nc/triad/politics/2026/02/20/tariff-decision-supreme-court-scotus-p...>

PIX11 (New York City): Tariff whiplash: small businesses caught between Supreme Court ruling and new 10% fees – Feb 21

New York City small business owners featured on tariff impacts and uncertainty following the Supreme Court ruling and announcement of new 10% tariff.

<https://pix11.com/news/local-news/tariff-whiplash-small-businesses-caught-between-supreme-court-r...>

WX12 (Greensboro, NC): Greensboro's Scottish Gourmet owner reacts to Supreme Court tariff decision – Feb 20

AP wire pickup. Anne Robinson, who owns Scottish Gourmet in Greensboro, said she was "doing a happy dance" when she heard the news. The 10% baseline tariff on U.K. goods cost her business about \$30,000 in the fall season. "Time to schedule my 'Say Goodbye to Tariffs' Sale!"

<https://www.wxii12.com/>

Jezebel / Splinter: The Entire Trump Tariff Scheme Just Suffered a Supreme Collapse. Refunds, Anybody? – Feb 20

"Legal victory is meaningless without actual relief for the businesses that paid these tariffs," said Dan Anthony, the executive director of small business coalition We Pay the Tariffs. "The administration's only responsible course of action now is to establish a fast, efficient, and automatic refund process that returns tariff money to the businesses that paid it."

<https://www.jezebel.com/tariff-ruling-supreme-court-donald-trump-illegal-emergency-powers-refunds...>

National Herald India: US business groups, lawmakers welcome SC ruling against Trump tariffs – Feb 21

We Pay the Tariffs coalition statement quoted among U.S. business groups and lawmakers welcoming the Supreme Court ruling.

<https://www.nationalheraldindia.com/international/us-business-groups-lawmakers-welcome-supreme-co...>

Global Times: US business groups, lawmakers welcome Supreme Court ruling against Trump tariffs – Feb 20

International coverage of We Pay the Tariffs coalition and other business group reactions to the ruling.

<https://www.globaltimes.cn/>

Carscoops (Automotive): Supreme Court Strikes Down Trump's Tariffs, But Car Buyers May Be In For A Surprise – Feb 20

We Pay the Tariffs data cited in analysis of tariff impacts on the auto industry and car prices.

<https://www.carscoops.com/2026/02/supreme-court-strikes-down-most-of-trumps-tariffs/>

KLIF 570 AM (Dallas/Fort Worth Radio): SCOTUS makes decision on President's tariffs – Feb 20

"Today's Supreme Court decision is a tremendous victory for America's small businesses," Dan Anthony, executive director of We Pay the Tariffs, said in a statement.

<https://www.klif.com/2026/02/20/95802/>

KSL NewsRadio (Salt Lake City, UT): Phone interview on Supreme Court tariff ruling – Feb 20

Phone interview with WPT member Jared Hendricks of Village Lighting Company in West Valley City, Utah, on the Supreme Court ruling and tariff impacts on his business.

<https://www.ksl.com/>

AP Wire Syndication — Confirmed Local Pickups (Sample)

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