Over the past century, United States tort law has served as a model, in many ways, for the world. Although most nations are less litigious and award less in damages, many nations have looked to the more active United States courts for guidance in forming and reforming tort doctrines. However, at the same time that globalization has rapidly expanded, since the 1980s United States tort law has retrenched on many fronts.

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