

Amici and the Supreme Court

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This project analyzes the contributions that amici make to the decisions of the United States Supreme Court. It relies on a hand-collected dataset that covers all Supreme Court decisions since October Term 2014. It includes information about three different objective traces of influence that amici might have on Supreme Court decisions - discussion at oral argument, explicit citations in opinions, and indirect use of sources cited in the briefs of amici but not in the briefs of the parties.