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Dear Senator Harris:

I am concerned about justice. Equal protection is a core principle of our country but with decisions capped by the Epic ruling last May, forced arbitration has effectively put many companies above the law. This end run around the legislative branch of government in the service of the rich and powerful is adding to our growing inequality and social immobility. I have now found such clauses in many places where I have little chance to object, from the machine where I buy Amtrack tickets to the fine print with my new microwave. With these private adjudication firms running in one report 94 percent for defendants this looks more like the justice described in Homer or Neal Stephenson's Snowcrash than what the constitution promises. Imaginative responses would be appropriate such as reviewing illegitimately appointed Judges including Justices Gorsuch and Kavanaugh, adding members to the court, breaking up the monopolies which benefit most or the quick legislative approach introduced last month.

*Please assure me that you will end forced arbitration.*

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from the rule of law.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson