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Marc Blubaugh Quoted in NHDA Newsletter on Landmark U.S. Supreme Court Case

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Marc Blubaugh, co-chair of Benesch's [Transportation & Logistics Practice Group](#), was quoted in the February newsletter of the National Home Delivery Association (NHDA) in its *Advocacy Council Update* section.

The feature highlights the upcoming U.S. Supreme Court case *Montgomery v. Caribe*, which presents significant implications for freight brokers and final-mile logistics providers. At issue is whether the Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act (FAAAA) preempts state-law negligence claims against brokers based solely on arranging transportation with an FMCSA-authorized motor carrier.

In the newsletter, Blubaugh explains that many final-mile home delivery companies operate under a brokerage model, arranging loads to small motor carriers utilizing lightweight vehicles. While these vehicles differ from traditional tractor-trailers, he notes that accidents can still be catastrophic and result in substantial exposure, including so-called "nuclear verdicts." As a result, the Supreme Court's decision could have profound consequences for the home delivery sector.

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