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Wal-Mart Suit Dismissed

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A federal district court judge in Newark on Monday dismissed claims asserting that Wal-Mart Stores violated racketeering laws by conspiring with cleaning contractors to hold immigrant janitors in involuntary servitude, launder money and break immigration laws. The judge, Joseph A. Greenaway Jr., ruled that the plaintiffs had failed to show that the janitors had been held involuntarily and had failed to show the elements of a racketeering conspiracy. James L. Linsey, lawyer for the 214 janitors in the lawsuit, said he was considering an appeal.