

# Montréal

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## Overview

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Torys is proud to practice in the heart of Montréal's business community. Working together with our teams in Toronto, New York, Calgary and Halifax, our presence in Montréal offers our clients uniquely collaborative, interregional and cross-border strength. Our Montréal office has an extensive litigation practice, with deep-rooted experience in class actions and commercial litigation. Our team members in Montréal can practice in both Québec and all common law provinces, offering clients seamless support for all their litigation across the country—increasing efficiency, consistency and cohesion on litigation strategy.

We also offer services across a broad range of corporate and commercial transactions, with particular experience in structuring and implementing sophisticated, innovative transactions and complex contracts and agreements.

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## Areas of Service

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### Disputes and Investigations

Our class actions team works on some of the highest-profile cases in Canada. We also practise a wide range of civil, corporate and commercial litigation, including regulatory disputes, employment, competition, securities, product liability (including life sciences), consumer protection, banking, contractual, privacy and cybersecurity, shareholder disputes, commercial fraud, restructuring and insolvency, mass torts and negligence, public and constitutional law, environmental matters and domestic and international arbitrations.

### Advisory and Regulatory

We guide businesses through an increasingly complex regulatory matrix across industries and markets, bringing clarity to Québec regulatory, legislative and compliance matters and sophisticated advisory services covering consumer protection, health sciences, governance, ESG initiatives, privacy issues and more.

### Transactions

With a strong presence in public and private markets in Canada, we give clients holistic and sophisticated counsel covering all dimensions of the dealmaking landscape, including M&A, financings and employment matters.

### Private Equity and Institutional Investors

We advise private equity funds, pension funds, financial institutions and other investors on buyout transactions, fund formation and investments, secondaries, and co-investments.

## Featured Work

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### US\$3.1 billion sale of scientific solutions division

Torys acted as Canadian counsel for Olympus in its ¥427.6 billion yen (US\$3.1 billion) sale of EVIDENT Corporation to Bain Capital Private Equity, LP

### Loto-Québec consumer protection class action

Torys is acting as counsel to Loto-Québec in a consumer protection class action at trial in Québec alleging violations to the Québec Civil Code and consumer protection legislation in the context of an online poker platform

## Representative Work

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### **TMX Group announces agreement to acquire Cboe Canada and Cboe Australia**

TMX Group in its proposed US\$300 million (C\$409 million) acquisition of Middlebury Holdings Pty. Limited (Cboe Australia) and Cboe Canada Holdings, ULC (Cboe Canada), a provider of equities trading venues, listing venues and market data solutions

### **PICTON Investments launches private equity fund with specialized Canadian asset manager Morningside Capital**

Morningside Capital in the formation of PICTON Morningside Private Equity Fund, an innovative fund launched by Picton Mahoney Asset Management and Morningside Capital and focused on "trophy asset" GP-led secondary investments

### **Global Affairs Canada in its role as a catalytic investor in the launch of the Inclusive Climate Action Fund, managed by Deetken Impact, that will mobilize capital for climate finance companies and projects in developing countries across Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC)**

### **StormFisher Hydrogen acquires Recyclage Carbone Varennes**

StormFisher Hydrogen in its acquisition of Recyclage Carbone Varennes and of a C\$1.6 billion waste-to-methanol project in Varennes, Québec pursuant to a reverse vesting order structure, as part of the Varennes Cellulosic Ethanol LP's restructuring under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, and in the financing to complete the construction and transformation of the project into North America's first large-scale low-carbon methanol plant

### **a national financial services self-regulatory organization in proposed privacy class actions in British Columbia and Québec concerning an alleged breach of personal and financial information**

### **Brookfield Corporation completes pricing of US\$650 million notes offering**

Brookfield in its US\$650 million cross-border public offering of 5.33% senior notes, due 2036

### **The Advocates' Society as an intervenor in *English Montreal School Board, et al. v. Attorney General of Quebec, et al.* concerning the constitutionality of Québec's Bill 21 restricting the wearing of religious symbols**

### **Brookfield Renewable issues C\$250 million of green subordinated hybrid notes**

Brookfield Renewable in its C\$250 million public offering of 5.373% fixed-to-fixed reset rate subordinated hybrid notes, due 2055

### **an American AI company in a proposed copyright class action in British Columbia and Québec concerning the use of copyrighted materials in training its large language models**

### **Kearney announces strategic acquisition of IMTEK to enhance end-to-end planning**

Kearney in its acquisition of IMTEK Inc., a business consulting and systems integration company focused on services and solutions for supply chain planning and execution

## Latest Insights

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Supreme Court's decision in *Lalande* offers insight into how election laws are analyzed by courts.

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### Deference prevails: a public drug funding decision in Québec is upheld on reasonableness review

The Québec Superior Court ruling demonstrates that significant deference will be given to government decisions on public drug funding.

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### Class actions in Canada: a review of 2025

Last year, over 200 proposed class actions were filed across Canada. We review the key trends driving the evolution of Canada's class actions.

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### Supreme Court gives guidance on mobility rights and bilingual *Charter* interpretation

SCC decision holds that bilingual *Charter* interpretation requires a broad, purposive approach informed by English and French text.

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### AMF publishes draft guideline on AI use by financial institutions

The draft guidelines establish expectations for mitigating risks associated with using AI systems and help align standards more closely with international expectations.

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### Autorité des marchés financiers proposes changes to fee structure applicable to firms registered or relying on exemptions in Québec

Recently published draft amendments would impact firms conducting securities or derivatives businesses in Québec.

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## Recent Recognition

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[Class Action Firm of the Year by Benchmark Canada 2025](#)

[Chambers Canada ranks 81% of Torys' Canadian partners](#)

[Benchmark Litigation's 2024 Product Liability Litigator of the Year \(Sylvie Rodrigue, Ad. E.\)](#)

[Sylvie Rodrigue, Ad. E. awarded 2023 OBA Award of Excellence in Class Actions](#)

[One of Canada's Best Law Firms \(The Globe and Mail\)](#)

## Recent News

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Torys honoured in multiple categories at 2026 *Benchmark Litigation* Canada Awards

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Torys recognized in four categories at the 2026 Canadian Law Awards

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