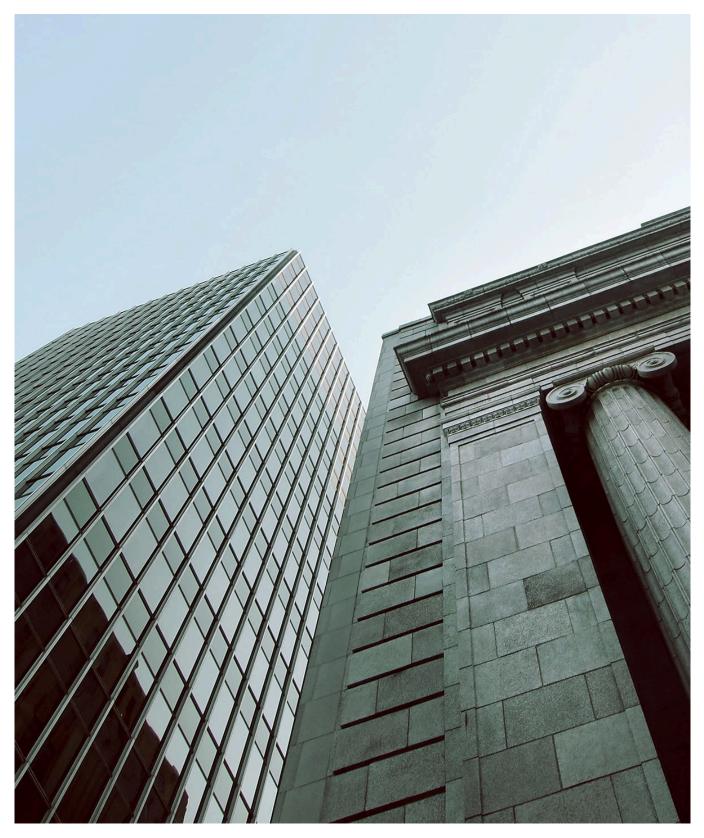
# **Class Actions**

With a multijurisdictional team of leading litigators, we bring strategic judgment and skilled advocacy to guide clients through sophisticated class actions across Canada, and before courts of all levels.



# Overview

Class actions are complex in both scale and scope: from the range of jurisdictions to the number of parties involved, they demand vigilant management and high-calibre advocacy. We bring focused counsel and a partnership mindset dedicated to achieving the best possible results for our clients, whether at the pre-certification stages, defending actions at trial or representing in appeals.

We are among the very few firms in Canada who have defended multiple class proceedings at trial and have a long track record leading the defence and settlement of class actions. Clients benefit from our practical, bilingual advice and single-team approach on class action matters that cross jurisdictions. Our team includes lawyers called to multiple Bars with active practices in Québec and the rest of Canada. This means that the same team serves clients on civil and common law matters, increasing efficiency, consistency and cohesion on litigation strategy.

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Torys is a go-to law firm for some of our most complex and sophisticated matters and we rate their abilities very highly.

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# Featured Work

## Combined oral contraceptives product liability class actions

Torys is acting as counsel to an international pharmaceutical company in multiple product liability class actions—including proposed actions in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and three class actions at trial in Québec and Ontario—concerning two prescription combined oral contraceptives

# Unpaid overtime class action

Torys is acting as counsel to a major Canadian Schedule I bank in an overtime class action concerning unpaid time

# Representative Work

a multinational technology company in a proposed class action before the Federal Court of Canada alleging breaches of privacy and anti-competitive conduct, as well as tort and breach of contract claims of geographic misrepresentation

a consortium of underwriters in a proposed securities class action in Alberta alleging material misrepresentation of projected revenue in public disclosures in connection with a merger transaction and subsequent public offering

certain former directors of Taiga Motors in a proposed class action in Québec on behalf of all security-holders of the company alleging inadequate disclosures and secondary market misrepresentation

an American consumer goods manufacturer in a proposed class action in Québec alleging contamination of a contraceptive device by PFAS

Ticketmaster Entertainment (now Live Nation Entertainment) and related entities in class actions in Québec and Alberta concerning violations to the *Competition Act* and consumer protection legislation in connection with the disclosure of fees and other amounts charged in connection with primary and secondary market ticket sales

Ticketmaster Canada and related entities in a proposed consumer protection class action in Québec alleging that fees charged to consumers are excessive or disproportionate

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

a fire protection manufacturer as one of several defendants in proposed class actions brought in Québec, Ontario, British Columbia on behalf of Canadians alleging environmental and water system contamination by PFAS-containing products

a multinational professional services network in a proposed securities class action in Ontario alleging violations of accounting standards resulting in material misrepresentations in the financial statements for a provider of diagnostic imaging services

a fire protection manufacturer as one of several defendants in a proposed class action brought by the Province of British Columbia on behalf of Canadian provincial, territorial and municipal governments alleging drinking water contamination by PFAS-containing products

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Join our multidisciplinary team as they explore the complexities of consumer-facing platform liability and AI claims

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Partner and co-chair of our national product liability practice group Grant Worden will speak on the panel "International Outlook on PFAS: Contrasting Developments in Canada, the EU, and Beyond" on May 30 at 2:30 p.m.

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The Court's decision is a welcome development for defendants facing product liability class actions in respect of allegedly defective products.

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#### Perfect Law: Global Class Actions and Mass Torts Conference 2025

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Highly Recommended for Dispute Resolution by Benchmark

Class Action Firm of the Year by Benchmark Canada 2025

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