## **WHO WE ARE**

With over 70 lawyers with expertise in virtually every practice area, Devry Smith Frank *LLP* ("DSF") is dedicated to serving a wide variety of clients and their unique and varied needs. We provide leading-edge, individualized service that delivers excellent results. Established in 1964, DSF has consistently held a reputation for being practical, professional and approachable. We are also pleased to inform that we have merged our offices with Woitzik Polsinelli *LLP* ("WP Law"). We plan to build on WP Law's strong legacy and together with DSF's already sizeable presence in the area, we intend to combine our practices to create a pre-eminent full-service law firm in Durham which can provide a full range of legal services.

Based in Toronto, Canada's business centre and multicultural hub, we also have offices located across the GTA and Ontario. Each location is conveniently located near major routes and has ample parking.

The lawyers of DSF are committed not only to the practice of law, but to family and community. DSF has been located in the GTA for over half a century, and has established countless long-lasting and important relationships over the years. At DSF, we aim for honest, enduring relationships with all our clients.



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#### WE ARE EXPERIENCED

At DSF, we use our expertise as education lawyers to fight for learning environments free of bullying, harassment and other roadblocks to a quality experience for all children. Our knowledgeable team has successfully fought for the rights of children across Ontario in cases of harassment, suspension, special needs accommodation and other important legal matters facing today's youth.

### WE MEET YOUR NEEDS

Children in Ontario have a right to an education, which includes not only the right to attend school, but to have their education delivered to them in a way that allows them the opportunity to reach their full potential. The rights are different in public schools / publicly funded schools and private schools, but all Ontario Students have rights in school. It is important for parents and students to know these rights so they can advocate for the appropriate and required education from the school.

As experienced education lawyers, we know students of all ages face a variety of challenges at school, home and in their social lives on a regular basis. We make it our mission to resolve and seek justice for legal matters that fall beyond normal childhood concerns. Our skilled team of lawyers know the importance of a quality education, free of harassment and other obstructions. It is our goal to ensure that each student who is affected by the unlawful conduct of a school system or fellow student, receives the justice they deserve.



# We are experienced in educational cases of all levels, including expertise in the following areas:

Children with Special Needs: If your child is not receiving the accommodations they require to learn successfully, DSF's educational lawyers will work to get the provisions they need including additional assistance, specialized learning materials and physical accommodations as needed.

Education and Children's Rights: With regulations and laws varying between school boards and between public and private institutions, our educational lawyers have the skills to navigate the system and get your child the justice they need in cases of bullying, accommodations and more.

Bullying in Schools: As society and the educational system continue to heighten awareness surrounding bullying in schools, our team can help your child receive justice in matters of school harassment.

Discipline: When a school disciplines a child, college or university student, it has a responsibility to ensure that punishment is fair and that proper provisions are given to allow the student to contest the punishment. If your child's school has not fulfilled these requirements, the lawyers at DSF will seek restitution and correction of the situation as needed.

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