

# 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 REASONABLE

As in any relationship, disputes inevitably arise and business relationships are no exception. Commercial litigation is a reality in today's world that many of us would like to ignore, but simply cannot. While it's generally desirable to avoid going to court, sometimes resolution can only come through effective litigation. To achieve the best outcome, you need lawyers who are both experienced and know how to fight for your rights.

The Commercial Litigation team at DSF has the experience you need to get the rights and financial settlement you deserve. Our team has navigated many litigious circumstances, from construction litigation and construction liens to contractual disputes and product liability matters.

## WE ARE FOCUSED

With our ample trial experience, we assist clients in identifying and mitigating risks that could lead to new legal exposures. Our point of focus is to develop a deep knowledge of each client's business, which enables us to intervene effectively to avoid lengthy proceedings or to achieve cost-effective and innovative solutions through early prevention or alternative dispute resolution. Our group focuses on the problem at hand, always keeping in mind that litigation can become an arduous and costly process that may take months or years to resolve. When you work with DSF lawyers, we do everything possible to reduce the time and stress associated with these matters while also giving you a realistic view of the possible timeline and outcomes.

As a firm devoted to providing quality litigation, DSF taps into a deep reserve of relevant expertise across diverse practice areas and industries. Whether a dispute concerns a complex financial instrument, a failed construction project or a successful mining venture, our lawyers understand the nuances and leverage their specialized knowledge to their clients' advantage.

## OUR EXPERIENCED TEAM

As with any legal matter, with commercial litigation, you need professional help that can present your side eloquently and with authority. At DSF, our team members have appeared before the small claims court, the Superior Court of Justice, the Ontario Court of Appeal and many administrative tribunals including: the Ontario Labour Relations Board, the OMB, the Human Rights Tribunal, the Workplace Safety Board and many others. Our team also has experience in all of the various Alternative Dispute Resolution processes including mediation and arbitrations.

Our areas of litigation experience include but are not limited to:

- Contractual Disputes
- Landlord and Tenant Leasing Issues
- Construction Litigation and Construction Liens
- Shareholder and Partnership Litigation
- Real Estate and Title Insurance Litigation
- Fire and Property Insurance Litigation
- Injunctions
- Franchise Disputes
- Insolvency and Creditor Rights Litigation
- Defamation, Libel and Slander Litigation
- Breach of Fiduciary Duty and Non-Compete Disputes

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