

Education

Queen's University (1977) LLB Carleton University (1974) BA

Bar Admissions Ontario (1980)

Practice Areas Appeals Arbitration Class Actions Commercial Litigation Insolvency and Restructuring Professional Liability and Regulation Securities Litigation

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# Peter Griffink.C., LSM, ASM

PETER GRIFFINK.C., LSM, ASM is counsel and one of the five founding partners at Lenczner Slaght.

"Peter Griffin is one of the best litigation lawyers in Canada. He has an excellent grasp of the issues and the law, as well as the gravitas to address difficult issues." — *Chambers Canada* 

Peter is recognized by his peers as one of the top litigators in Canada, particularly in the areas of corporate commercial litigation, class actions, securities matters, insolvency, and professional and director/officer liability. He has appeared before all levels of court in Ontario and the common-law provinces, and before the Supreme Court of Canada.

In 2021, Peter received the prestigious Law Society Medal in recognition of his exceptional advocacy, unwavering commitment to education and mentorship, and involvement in positively advancing the legal profession. In 2024, Peter was awarded The Advocates' Society Medal, the Society's highest honour, celebrating his pre-eminence in advocacy, exemplary leadership, and significant contributions to the profession of law as well as the community at large.

Peter has extensive experience in complex cross-border litigation, especially as it relates to both class proceedings and insolvency and restructuring. He regularly advises boards of directors and national and multinational corporations with respect to their obligations. He is retained as counsel of choice on appeal. He frequently represents clients in arbitration and acts as an arbitrator in contested arbitration proceedings. Peter is constantly sought out as an expert speaker on advocacy, shareholder disputes, class actions, professional liability and insolvency and restructuring.

Peter is past President of The Advocates' Society, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and past Chair of the American College of Trial Lawyers Ontario Committee.

# RECOGNITION

- The Advocates' Society Medal (2024)
- Law Society Medal (2021)
- Ontario Bar Association Award for Excellence in Civil Litigation (2017)
- American College of Trial Lawyers (2004) Fellow
- Benchmark Canada (2012-2024) Top 50 Trial Lawyer in Canada & Litigation Star – Commercial, Competition,



Insolvency, Professional Liability, Securities

- Best Lawyers in Canada (2006-2025) Alternative Dispute Resolution, Appellate Practice, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Class Action Litigation, Corporate & Commercial Litigation, Director & Officer Liability, Health Care Law, Insolvency & Financial Restructuring, Legal Malpractice, Medical Negligence, Securities
- Best Lawyers in Canada (2013) Toronto Corporate and Commercial Litigation "Lawyer of the Year"
- Best Lawyers in Canada (2014) Toronto Bet-the-Company Litigation "Lawyer of the Year"
- Best Lawyers in Canada (2016) Toronto "Lawyer of the Year" in Director and Officer Liability
- Best Lawyers in Canada (2017) Toronto "Lawyer of the Year" in Corporate and Commercial Litigation
- Best Lawyers in Canada (2019) Toronto "Lawyer of the Year" in Legal Malpractice Law (2019)
- Best Lawyers in Canada (2020) Toronto "Lawyer of the Year" in Appellate Practice
- Best Lawyers in Canada (2024) Toronto "Lawyer of the Year" in Bet-the-Company Litigation and Corporate & Commercial Litigation
- Canadian Lawyer (2014) Top 25 Most Influential Lawyers - Corporate Commercial Law
- Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory (2012-2025) Class Actions, Commercial Arbitration, Insolvency & Financial Restructuring, Litigation - Corporate Commercial, Litigation - Directors' & Officers' Liability, Litigation - Securities, Medical Negligence, Professional Liability
- Chambers Canada (2016-2025)
   Dispute Resolution: Class Action (Defence) (Nationwide Canada); Litigation: General Commercial (Ontario); Litigation: Securities (Ontario) (2020-2024)
- Chambers Global (2012-2025)
   Dispute Resolution: Litigation (Canada); Dispute Resolution: Class Actions
   Defence (Canada) (2017)
- Lexology Index: Canada (2006-2025) Commercial Litigation, Restructuring & Insolvency
- Lexology Index: Litigation (2018-2020) Global Elite Thought Leader
- Lexpert Guide to the Leading 500 Cross-Border Lawyers in Canada (2006-2025) Class Actions (2024); Corporate Commercial Litigation (2024); Directors' & Officers' Liability Litigation (2024); Insolvency & Financial Restructuring (2015); Securities Litigation;100 Most Creative Lawyers in Canada (2015)
- Lexpert Guide to the Leading US/Canada Cross-Border Lawyers in Canada (2013-2019) Dispute Resolution, Insolvency & Financial Restructuring, Corporate Commercial Litigation, Class Actions, Securities Litigation
- Lexpert Special Edition: Canada's Leading Insolvency and Restructuring Lawyers (2024)
- Lexpert Special Edition: Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers (2013-2024)
- Martindale-Hubbell Preeminent Peer Rating
- Practical Law Company Ontario - Dispute Resolution
- The Legal 500 Canada (2014-2025) Dispute Resolution (Hall of Fame), Insolvency and Restructuring (Recommended Lawyer) (2019)
- The Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada (2006-2015) Clear Actions Commercial Lititation Director & Officer Linkility

Class Actions, Corporate Commercial Litigation, Director & Officer Liability, Insolvency & Financial Restructuring, Securities Litigation, 100 Most Creative



Lawyers in Canada

Who's Who Legal Awards (2018) Litigation Lawyer of the Year

## **SELECT CASES**

- WSIB Investments (Infrastructure) Pooled Fund Trust et al v Plenary Group (Canada) Ltd. et al – Successful trial counsel to two employee pension and injured workers funds in a breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract claim with a manager of public infrastructure projects.
- Ontario H Limited Partnership v 1043303 Ontario Limited and 1785192 Ontario Inc – Counsel to the successful appellants in an appeal concerning the interpretation of option-to-purchase clauses for two commercial properties.
- Flette v The Government of Manitoba Counsel to class counsel in obtaining legal fees of \$25 million in a class proceeding arising from the handling of the Children's Special Allowance (CSA) program by the Government of Manitoba.
- Halton (Regional Municipality) v Canadian National Railway Company – Successful counsel to the intervener, Railway Association of Canada, in a dispute regarding the applicability of certain provincial legislation and municipal bylaws to CN's intermodal logistics hub in the town of Milton, Ontario.
- In the Matter of a Proposed Plan of Arrangement of The York Downs Golf and Country Club Limited – Counsel to the York Downs Golf & Country Club in successfully securing approval of a novel OBCA plan of arrangement to address lost shareholders rights on the distribution of multi-million dollar proceeds of a real estate development sale of its lands, and subsequent wind-up, of a golf club.
- OECTA v Ontario Counsel to the Attorney General of Ontario in an appeal regarding the constitutionality of legislation that capped public sector compensation increases. A decision which interprets the scope of the right to freedom of association under section 2(d) of the Charter.
- CPAO Proceeding Counsel to the former CFO of a TSX listed financial corporation in relation to a CPAO disciplinary proceeding.
- Waldron v His Majesty the King in Right of Canada et al Counsel to the Claims Administrator in a motion and appeal arising from a dispute over the interpretation of the Indian Day School Settlement Agreement.
- Boyer v Callidus Capital Corporation Counsel to a former employee at Callidus Capital Corporation, who commenced a wrongful dismissal claim in 2017. Callidus counterclaimed against our client for \$150 million, which we successfully argued to have dismissed as an "Anti-SLAPP" proceeding at the Court of Appeal. We then obtained summary judgment in the main employment action for over \$1.3 million plus interest and successfully held the summary judgment on appeal.
- Annapolis Group v Halifax Regional Municipality Counsel to the plaintiff in an action concerning alleged de facto expropriation, misfeasance in public office, and unjust enrichment relating to the plaintiff's efforts to develop its lands within the Halifax Regional Municipality. Successfully represented the plaintiff at the Supreme Court of Canada with the Court clarifying the test for de facto expropriation and concluding that our client's claim for de facto expropriation could proceed to trial.



- Internal Investigation Internal investigation into allegations of breaches of confidentiality in a publicly-traded corporation.
- Grant Thornton v New Brunswick Counsel to Grant Thornton in a successful appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada clarifying the rule of discoverability in limitation periods law across Canada.
- Libfeld v Libfeld Counsel to the successful partner of a multi-billion dollar residential and commercial real estate developer and builder in obtaining successful order winding up and selling the partnership.
- Cameron Stephens Mortgage Capital Ltd v 1091369 Ontario Inc Counsel to a construction lender in an application to appoint a receiver.
- 12178711 Canada Inc v Wilks Brothers, LLC Counsel to G2S2 Capital Inc., a significant creditor, in connection with a contested CBCA restructuring of Calfrac Well Services Ltd.
- In the Matter of the Receivership of Xela Enterprises Ltd Counsel to the court-appointed receiver in an application to recover a judgment debt from Xela Enterprises Ltd., the parent company to several subsidiaries located primarily in Central America and the Caribbean.
- HH and GH v York Downs Golf and Country Club Counsel to the York Downs Golf & Country Club in an application before the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario. Successful in having proceeding dismissed.
- Re Investment Management Corporation of Ontario Trial counsel to IMCO in a breach of contract claim with manager of public infrastructure projects.
- Special Committee of the Board of Directors of Aphria Inc. Counsel to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of Aphria Inc. in connection with allegations made by short sellers regarding the value of certain assets and insider dealings.
- The Mangrove Partners Master Fund v TransAlta Corporation Counsel to the directors of TransAlta Corporation in an oppression claim brought by a significant shareholder.
- Wintercorn v Global Learning Group Inc; Piett v Global Learning Group Inc – Counsel to a defendant law firm in a class proceedings in Ontario and Saskatchewan relating to a tax donation program.
- GCT Canada Limited Partnership v Vancouver Fraser Port Authority and Attorney General of Canada – Counsel to Global Container Terminals in a judicial review of a decision of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority refusing to consider Global Container Terminal's proposed port expansion project.
- Re Essar Steel Algoma Inc Counsel to the GIP Primus, LP in oppression proceedings brought by the Monitor in the context of Algoma's CCAA proceeding.
- Re The Cash Store Financial Services Inc Counsel in the successful mediation and settlement of multiple Canadian and US class proceedings in the context of an Ontario CCAA proceeding, leading to...
- Panacci v Volkswagen Counsel to the plaintiff in a certified class action related to timing chain tensioners.
- Re Hollinger Inc Counsel in various proceedings on behalf of Ernst & Young, the court appointed Monitor of Hollinger Inc. and related entities in complex CCAA proceedings.
- Western Larch Ltd v Di Poce Management Ltd Counsel to the successful moving party/defendants on a motion for summary judgment, dismissing an \$80 million claim alleging that a shotgun buy/sell offer did not comply with the parties' partnership agreement and amounted to a breach of fiduciary duty and oppression. Successful in upholding the result on appeal. Also successful in opposing a motion for an injunction



to prevent the completion of a transaction mandated by a shotgun buy/sell offer.

- Experian v BDC Counsel to Experian in an appeal to the Court of Appeal for Ontario heard February 13, 2018. Appeal was resolved before Judgment.
- Robert Simon v Toshiba Global Commerce Solutions Holdings Corporation – Counsel to Toshiba in a software licensing dispute involving point-of-sale systems.
- Kaira v Mercedes Benz-Canada Inc Counsel to the plaintiff in a certified class action related to emissions technology. The parties have recently reached a settlement, which is subject to Court approval.
- The Board of Regents of Victoria University v GE Canada Real Estate Equity – Counsel to GE Canada Real Estate Equity in an appeal to the Superior Court of Justice and to the Court of Appeal from an arbitration award over the...
- Manga Hotels (Toronto) Inc v GE Canada Equipment Financing GP Counsel to GE Canada Equipment Financing GP in a dispute relating to the financing of a hotel construction project.
- MacDonald v BMO Trust Company Counsel to the defendants in a class action alleging failure to disclose foreign exchange fees in registered accounts.
- Atos Inc v Sapient Canada Inc Counsel to Atos in a dispute respecting the termination of a subcontract for data conversion and software support. The matter was subject to numerous...
- DBDC Spadina Ltd v Walton Counsel to a series of companies in proceedings involving a receivership over commercial real estate developments and efforts to recover \$110 million in...
- Re Ernst &Young LLP (Sino-Forest and Zungui Haixi) Counsel to the respondent auditor in two proceedings brought by the Ontario Securities Commission under the Securities Act resulting in the first no...
- Trillium Motor World Ltd v General Motors of Canada Ltd Counsel to defendant, Cassels Brock and Blackwell LLP, in an eight week trial commenced on behalf of a group of General Motors of Canada Limited dealers...
- Re Sino-Forest Corporation Counsel for the defendant auditors of Sino-Forest Corporation in connection with a shareholder class action claiming damages in order of \$9 billion on...
- Lapointe Rosenstein Marchand Melançon LLP v Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP – Counsel to the successful respondent, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP, in an appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada relating to the jurisdiction of...
- Rosen v BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc; Wade v BMO Nesbitt Burns Counsel to BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. in an overtime class actions brought in Ontario and Nova Scotia by BMO NBI investment advisors.
- Charette v Trinity Capital Corporation Counsel to two defendants in a class action brought on behalf of taxpayers who participated in a charitable donation program.
- Tucci v Smart Technologies Inc Counsel to two defendants in a securities class action alleging prospectus misrepresentation by the issuer, selling shareholders and others. Class...
- Aldo Group Inc v Moneris Solutions Corporation Counsel to Moneris in a contractual dispute. Successfully resisted forum non conveniens motion by MasterCard in first instance and on appeal.



- Gentra Canada Investments Inc v 724270 Ontario Ltd Counsel on the enforcement and receivership of leasehold mortgages registered against luxury residential apartments complicated by extensive tenant...
- 1193430 Ontario Inc v Boa-Franc Inc Counsel in a trial and successful appeal of a contractual dispute involving the termination of a distributorship agreement.
- Martin v American International Assurance Life Co. (SCC) Counsel to insurer in appeal at the Supreme Court of Canada concerning interpretation of accidental death benefit in life insurance policy.
- Anishnawbe Mushkiki Inc v Health Insurance Reciprocal of Canada – Counsel to Grant Thornton LLP in connection with a dispute regarding allegations of professional negligence against an auditor.
- DAT Villarboit Brantford LP v 2276844 Ontario Limited Counsel for Villarboit Holdings Limited in an application/counter-application to enforce rights under a series of contractual agreements relating to a...
- Canada Post Corporation v City of Hamilton Counsel to the City of Hamilton in a constitutional law appeal on division of powers respecting placement of community mailboxes by Canada Post on City of...
- Bradshaw v Langley Counsel to the successful respondents on an appeal from a summary judgment motion in a family law matter involving the division of assets and a dispute...
- Estate Trustee During Litigation for the Estate of Paul Penna v Landen – Counsel to Estate Trustee During Litigation of the Paul Penna Estate in a series of proceedings, including two appeals to the Ontario Court of Appeal and...
- Livent Inc v Deloitte & Touche LLP Counsel to Deloitte & Touche LLP for the appeal to the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada from a trial judgment awarding substantial...
- Mountain v Mountain Estate Counsel to the beneficiary of an estate in respect of an application for a declaration that another beneficiary, who had farmed the parents' land for 25...
- McCormick v Fasken Martineau Dumoulin Counsel to the interveners, Canada's six largest accounting firms, on an appeal before the Supreme Court of Canada over whether a partner is an employee...
- Shawn v The Bank of Nova Scotia Trust Company Counsel for beneficiary of a 50 year old trust claiming mismanagement by the Trustee.
- Shaw v Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan Counsel to the successful respondents in an appeal by a former Ontario Hospital Association senior executive seeking an enhanced pension based on a...
- In re Berry Successful representation of respondent dismissing all charges brought against him under the Uniform Market Integrity Rules by the Investment Industry...
- Cytrynbaum v Look Counsel to defendants/applicants, Michael Cytrynbaum and First Fiscal Management Ltd., in an application, and on appeal, for advancement of legal expenses...
- Zaniewicz and Clarke v Zungui Haixi Corporation Counsel for one of the defendants in a shareholder class action alleging that the defendant company's public offering prospectus and other disclosure...
- Lipson v Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP Counsel to defendant law firm in a class action in connection with a charitable tax program. The Court of Appeal rendered a seminal decision on the commonality of the defence of a limitation period on a certification motion. In 2023, the Court approved the successful resolution of the action.
- Herskovits v BMO Bank of Montreal Counsel to the defendant obtaining a successful dismissal at certification of a class action alleging



improper holds on deposited funds in client accounts...

- Piedra v Copper Mesa Mining Corp Counsel to TSX defendants in a mining case involving allegations of negligence. Successfully moved to strike the statement of claim without leave...
- Sagl v Chubb Insurance Company of Canada Counsel in the defence of an insurance claim at trial on the basis of arson and misrepresentation. Successful in having trial judgment set aside on appeal...
- Re Fraser Papers Inc Counsel providing advice to Board of Directors of a public company in CCAA proceedings.
- Robinson v Rochester Financial Limited Counsel to the defendant law firm in a class action for solicitor's negligence involving a tax shelter based on charitable donations using in part...
- Canadian National Railway Company v Holmes Counsel to CN in a complex dispute involving employee fraud, accounting of profits, abuse of process, defamation and negligent exercise of statutory...
- Blue Note Mining Inc v Canzinco Ltd Counsel in a breach of contract claim. Successfully opposed a motion and efforts to appeal a decision to stay the action on the basis of forum non...
- Frohlinger v Nortel Networks Corporation Counsel to Nortel Networks Corporation in several Canadian and US class action proceedings relating to alleged misrepresentations, accounting negligence...
- Re Stelco Inc Counsel to the Board of Directors of Stelco during the CCAA restructuring.
- Alofs v Temple Insurance Co Counsel in a successful proceeding to obtain declaratory relief for coverage under liability insurance policy.
- John E Dodge Holdings Ltd v 805062 Ontario Ltd Counsel to a hotel builder in successful action and subsequent appeal for specific performance of a commercial real estate transaction.
- Re PSINet Ltd Counsel to a US parent company in cross-border insolvency proceedings respecting priority of the parent's inter-company claim/re-registration of lapsed...
- Re Teleglobe Inc Counsel to the Monitor in a major restructuring proceeding involving an international telecommunications company.
- CC&L Dedicated Enterprise Fund (Trustee of) v Fisherman Counsel to a law firm and one of its partners in shareholder class proceedings alleging fraud and misrepresentation in a prospectus and financial stat...
- Re Royal Oak Mines Inc Counsel to the senior secured creditor in a CCAA/receivership proceeding involving a mining company.
- Re Confederation Life Insurance Company Counsel to former auditors in claims against and arising from insolvency of life insurance company.
- Re Olympia &York Developments Ltd. Representation of senior secured creditor/other claimants in CCAA proceedings and subsequent insolvency administration.
- Judicial Compensation and Benefits Commission Appointment to the 2015-2019 Judicial Compensation and Benefits Commission as a Commissioner.
- Ontario Ministry of Finance Tobacco Allocation Review Acted as one of two facilitators of a review of the on reserve tobacco allocation process under the Ontario Tobacco Tax Act. Final Report delivered Mar 1...
- Lawrence v Atlas Cold Storage Income Trust Counsel to the



defendant accounting firm in a class action proceeding against Atlas Cold Storage Holdings Inc. alleging prospectus misrepresentations...

- Re AG Simpson Automotive Inc and AG Simpson Co Limited Counsel to a major creditor in a CCAA restructuring proceeding involving an automotive parts manufacturer.
- Re Pacifica Papers Inc Counsel to an opposing shareholder alleging oppression in a lengthy application, and on appeal in British Columbia, for court approval of a plan of...
- Re Consumers Packaging Inc Counsel to Molson Inc., a creditor and significant customer of Consumers Packaging Inc., a large Canadian glass bottle manufacturing company, in an...
- Re Cineplex Odeon Corporation Counsel to the parent corporation in a CCAA restructuring proceeding involving Canada's second-largest chain of motion picture theatres.
- Re AXXENT Corp Counsel to the board of directors in the insolvency proceedings of a TSE-listed telecom initiated by the senior secured lender.
- Internal Investigation Retained by a Special Committee of the Board of a public company to conduct an internal investigation into allegations by a short-seller of material non-disclosure.

## SELECT PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 Securities Litigation Conference Peter Griffin was invited to share his expertise on the panel Significant Recent Civil Securities Litigation Decisions.
- QLLS Industry Night Peter Griffin was invited to the Queen's Law Litigation Society's Industry Night. Peter spoke about his litigation practice, the future of the practice, and more.
- Litigating Contract Disputes Peter Griffin co-chaired The Advocates' Society program "Litigating Contract Disputes". Peter led the panels Drafting Effective Pleadings in Contract Disputes and View from the Bench: Litigating Contract Disputes.
- Litigating Contract Disputes Peter Griffin presented at The Advocates' Society's program "Litigating Contract Disputes". He will share his expertise on the panel Framing Your Contract Claim.
- 19th Annual Spring Symposium Peter Griffin and Tom Curry spoke at The Advocates' Society's 19th Annual Spring Symposium on the module *The Civil Advocate*. Their session included an update on principles of civility for advocates and how to handle questions from the Bench on appeal.
- Professionalism and Civility at Trial Peter Griffin presented at the Ontario Bar Association's premier program Anatomy of a Trial: A Deeper Dive Into Jury Trials that provided a comprehensive examination of the best techniques for conducting a jury trial. Peter spoke on the panel "Professionalism and Civility at Trial".
- 35th Annual Joint Colloquium on International Arbitration Ian Binnie and Peter Griffin presented at the 35th Annual Joint Colloquium on International Arbitration. They shared their expertise on the panel discussion Mastering Effective Techniques for Cross-Examination.
- Framing Your Contract Claim Peter Griffin spoke at The Advocates' Society's program on "Litigating Contract Disputes". He was a member



of the "Framing Your Contract Claim" panel.

- 15th Annual Symposium on Class Actions As one of the leading experts in Class Actions, Peter Griffin spoke at Osgoode PD's 15th Annual Symposium on Class Actions on the panel "What Goes Around Comes Around: Lawyers Under Class Action Attack".
- Motions Advocacy Peter Griffin presented at the Advocates' Society's program on Motions Advocacy. He shared his expertise and experience on how to prepare oral and written submissions.
- The Appeal: The Travel Ban on Trial in the Supreme Court of Stratford – Peter Griffin appeared at Stratford Festival's Forum Showcase on September 30, 2017. He acted as counsel to Romeo in the Appeal of Prince Escalus' executive order banishing Romeo from Verona. Peter cross-examined the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson appearing as the expert witness and challenged the legality of the travel ban.
- The Advocates' Society Civil Litigation Skills Certificate Program -Trial from A to Z – Peter Griffin presented the Trial Preparation: 90 Day Checklist lecture for The Advocates' Society Civil Litigation Skills Certificate Program: Trial...
- The Advocates' Society Civil Litigation Skills Certificate Program -Evidence for Litigators: Evidence Update – Peter Griffin presented What every trial lawyer needs to know for The Advocates' Society Civil Litigation Skills Certificate Program's Evidence for...
- Toronto Global Pound Conference Peter Griffin appeared as a panelist on the Global Pound Access to Justice and Dispute Resolution System Conference on October 15, 2016.
- Cross-Border Issues for Litigators Peter Griffin co-chaired and presented at The Advocates' Society event Cross-Border Issues for Litigators.
- Presentation and Mock Appeal Demonstration Peter Griffin delivered a mock appeal demonstration before three Justices of the Court of Appeal at The Advocates' Society Advanced Litigation Presentation on Appellate Advocacy.
- Cross-Border Issues for Litigators Tom Curry spoke at this Advocates' Society Program on June 12, 2015 in which Peter Griffin was co-chair.
- 12th National Symposium on Class Actions Peter Griffin participated in a panel discussion at Osgoode's 12th National Symposium on Class Actions on April 23, 2015. This panel discussion on "The Class Action Trials of the Year" will touch on topics including the challenges of lengthy common issues trials, evidentiary management in common issues trials, the role of public nuisance as a tenable cause of action and the role of public opinion.
- Commercial Insolvency and Restructuring Program: Cross-Country Review with the Judiciary – Peter Griffin chaired a panel of judges at the Canadian Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Professionals 11th Annual Commercial Insolvency and Restructuring Program on March 31, 2015.
- Cross-Border Issues for Litigators Peter Griffin co-chaired the Advocates' Society program Cross-Border Issues for Litigators on November 21, 2014.
- The Twelve-Minute Civil Litigator 2014 Peter Griffin will be a speaker at the Law Society of Upper Canadas program on September 18, 2014. Peter will be speaking on the five rules of evidence that trial lawyers must master to be effective advocates.
- An Evening with Retired Judges: Looking Back on a Career on the Bench –



Peter Griffin moderates a panel discussion for The Insolvency Law Section of the Ontario Bar Association, Tuesday, January 14, 2014.

- 34th Annual Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop Peter Griffin, Monique Jilesen and Eli Lederman were among the distinguished guest lecturers at the 34th Annual Intensive Trial Workshop held in Toronto on July 7-14, 2013.
- Take the High Road Home! Peter Griffin and Monique Jilesen were mentors at The Advocates' Society Mentoring Dinner Series on the topic.
- The Closing Argument Osgoode Hall Law School LLM Programme, March 18, 2013
- CLE Conference The Commercial List Update: What you need to know – Ontario Bar Association, November 5, 2012
- Written Advocacy: Arguing the Law in your Factum Osgoode Hall Law School, October 26-27, 2012
- Ethical Issues–Identifying Conflicts of Interest Peter Griffin presented at the Law Society of Upper Canada at Osgoode Hall.
- Commercial Litigation -Update on the Oppression Remedy Peter Griffin presented at the Northeastern Ontario CPD 2011 Conference.
- Recent Developments in the Oppression Remedy Sudbury District Law Association, October 21, 2011
- Securities class actions Peter Griffin discusses securities class actions at the 8th National Symposium on Class Actions.
- Effective Legal Risk Management During a Crisis Peter Griffin presented his paper Effective Legal Risk Management During a Crisis at the Osgoode Professional Development CLE The Advanced Legal Guide to Advising the Public Company Board of Directors.
- The Advanced Legal Guide tp Advising the Public Company Board of Directors: Effective Legal Risk Management During a Crisis – Peter Griffin served as faculty at this Osgoode Hall Law School conference.
- Fall Convention: Investigators at the Door The Advocates' Society, November 10-14, 2010
- Investigators at the Door Peter Griffin presented at The Advocates' Society Fall Convention, November 10-14, 2010.
- Professionals under Fire: Advocacy Issues in Discipline Proceedings and Judicial Review – Peter Griffin presented at The Advocates' Society Spring Symposium 2010.
- Spring Symposium 2010 Professionals under Fire: Advocacy Issues in Discipline Proceedings and Judicial Review – The Advocates' Society
- Injunctions: Anton Piller Orders Advice Privilege & Other Risk Factors – Osgoode Professional Development, April 19-20, 2010
- Cross Border Litigation Forum On Thin Ice: The Phoenix Coyotes Case – Cambridge Forums, March 1-3, 2010
- Advising the Public Company Effective Legal Risk Management during a Crisis – Osgoode Hall Law School, February 19, 2010
- The Thirteenth Annual Course on WRITTEN ADVOCACY Peter Griffin served as faculty at the joint program of The Advocates' Society and Osgoode Professional Development.
- Twelve Minute Civil Litigator : Changes to the Rules of Civil Procedure effective January 1, 2010 – Law Society of Upper Canada, September 23, 2009
- Spring Symposium 2009 Acting as Counsel in an Investigation: How to avoid making a difficult situation worse –





The Advocates' Society

- Advising the Public Company Board of Directors : Effective Legal Risk Management during a Crisis – Osgoode Hall Law School, January 20, 2009
- A Guide to Securities Regulatory Proceedings The Advocates' Society, May 22, 2008
- Spring Symposium 2008 Trials and Tribulations: The Practical Advocate – The Advocates' Society, May 2, 2008
- Pro Bono Law Ontario Seminar The Advocates' Society, November 29, 2007
- Fall Forum: Expert Witnesses-Best Practice: Ten Points The Advocates' Society, September 29, 2006
- Advanced Trial Advocacy 2007 Osgoode Hall Law School
- Shareholder Claims and Disputes Osgoode Hall Law School, December 5, 2006
- Crime and the Corporation Osgoode Hall Law School, September 30, 2006
- Six Minute Business Lawyer: Non-Competition Covenants Chains that Bind or Gossamer Threads? – Law Society of Upper Canada, June 7, 2006
- After Athey v. Leonati: Is there any Chance left for the Loss of Chance Doctrine? – Canadian Defence Lawyers Association, May 30, 2006
- Crown Liability Some Random Thoughts on Crown Litigation Osgoode Hall Law School, November 15, 2005
- **Securities Litigation Forum** Insight Seminars, June 14, 2005
- Six Minute Business Lawyer: Non-Competition Covenants Law Society of Upper Canada, June 8, 2005
- Cancun Conference: Emerging Trends and Future Issues in Evidence – The Advocates' Society, November 21, 2003
- Update on Director, Officer and Third Party Liability The Canadian Institute, May 13, 2003
- International Issues in Class Action Litigation Insight Seminars, January 27, 2003
- Summary Judgment: What remains of a useful tool? Law Society of Upper Canada, November 15, 2000
- Accountants' Liability Insight Seminars, June 15-16, 2000
- A Litigator's Perspective on Dispute Resolution Provisions Canadian Bar Association, January 27, 2000
- Advocacy-The Persuasive Art The Advocates' Society, April 2, 2004
- Civil Litigation: The New Realities Duties of Loyalty and Conflicts of Interest: The Newest Minefield – Osgoode Hall Law School, May 11, 2005
- Multi-Jurisdictional Judicial Co-Operation A New Beginning or an Isolated Experiment? – Chicago Conference - International Bar Association

## **BLOG POSTS**

Fixing the Mistake: Limitation Periods in Professional Negligence Cases – Over a decade after Ontario's Limitations Act, 2002 came into



force, courts are still grappling with when a cause of action is discoverable and a limitation period starts to run. An increasingly litigated question relates to whether a limitation period runs while efforts are ongoing to fix the error that gave rise to the plaintiff's claim. The Court of Appeal for Ontario recently addressed this issue in *Presidential MSH Corp v Marr, Foster & Co LLP*.

In contractual disputes, after-the-fact conduct is admissible after all – To most people, a contract is a written agreement, typically signed by all parties, that sets out what different parties promise to do. But what happens that the written agreement is ambiguous? Courts have long held that evidence of the "factual matrix" of the contract—that is, the surrounding circumstances that inform the context in which a contract is created—is admissible in the interpretation of a contract. In its recent decision in Shewchuk v Blackmont Capital Inc, the Ontario Court of Appeal confirmed that evidence of subsequent conduct may also be admissible to interpret the agreement itself.

#### **SELECT NEWS ARTICLES**

- 2025 Lexpert Directory Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Excellence in Advocacy – Peers and senior members of the legal profession across the country continue to recognize the depth and breadth of Canada's leading litigation firm in the latest 2025 Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized in Chambers Global 2025 Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators are recognized for the 23<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year in world-renowned directory, Chambers Global.
- Lenczner Slaght's 24th Year at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's Eye The 2025 edition of Lexpert's Leading 500 Cross-Border Lawyers: A Guide to Doing Business in Canada continues to recognize Lenczner Slaght as the #1 firm in Toronto for Litigation and Commercial Litigation.
- Landmark Electronic Trial Produces \$259 Million Award for Lenczner Slaght Client – WS/B Investments (Infrastructure) Pooled Fund Trust v Plenary Group (Canada) Ltd is featured in the January 2025 edition of Bare Bones Briefs by LegalWriter.net. This case was the first fully electronic trial in the Manitoba Court of King's Bench, lasting seven weeks. It culminated in a \$259 million judgment for WSIB Investments (Infrastructure) Pooled Fund Trust, represented by Peter Griffin, Dena Varah, Meghan Bridges, Jonathan McDaniel, Andrew Locatelli, and Madeleine Andrew-Gee.
- Lenczner Slaght's Trial Lawyers Successful in \$259 Million Judgment for Public Sector Funds – In WSIB Investments (Infrastructure) Pooled Fund Trust v Plenary Group (Canada) Ltd, our expert litigators were successful in obtaining a \$259 million judgment in disgorgement for our clients, two employee pension and injured workers funds, against the Defendants for breach of fiduciary duty, knowing assistance, and knowing receipt. The 7-week trial before the Manitoba Court of King's Bench was the first fully electronic trial to be completed in the province.
- Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Recognized as Canada's Leading Litigators – Following an in-depth peer review process across the legal profession, 21 Lenczner Slaght lawyers have been recognized in the 2024 Lexpert Special Edition: Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers guide for their extensive courtroom experience and subject-matter expertise.
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized as a Leading Litigation Firm in Legal 500 Canada – Canada's leading litigation firm has reaffirmed its Tier 1



ranking in Dispute Resolution in Legal 500 Canada.

- Chambers Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Deep Bench of Expert Litigators – Canada's leading litigation firm continues to advance their position in the latest edition of the world-renowned directory.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Recognized as the Best Lawyers in Canada – In the 2025 edition of Best Lawyers in Canada, Lenczner Slaght is proud to receive 168 total rankings, with 45 of our expert litigators recognized for their expertise across 25 practice areas.
- The 2024 Lexpert Directory Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Excellence – Lenczner Slaght's litigators continue to be recognized by their peers as the foremost practitioners in their fields.
- Peter Griffin Awarded The Advocates' Society Medal Lenczner Slaght is proud to announce that Peter Griffin will be the 2024 recipient of The Advocates' Society Medal, to be presented at a special awards ceremony in the Fall of 2024.
- Chambers Global Recognizes Lenczner Slaght for the 22nd Consecutive Year – Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators are increasingly recognized in the latest edition of worldrenowned directory, Chambers Global.
- Lenczner Slaght Remains at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's Eye The 2024 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada recognizes Lenczner Slaght as the #1 firm in Toronto for Litigation and Commercial Litigation for the 23<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year.
- Lexpert Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Strength An increasing number of our expert litigators continue to be recognized as the foremost lawyers in their fields by peers and senior members of the legal profession.
- Top 10 Business Decisions of 2022–2023 Peter Griffin, Rebecca Jones, and Scott Rollwagen were featured in Lexpert's Top 10 Business Decisions of 2022-23 for their success in the case Annapolis Group Inc v Halifax Regional Municipality, which represents an important decision that clarified the test for constructive taking. Rebecca Jones was further interviewed.
- Lenczner Slaght Stands Out as a Top-Tier Litigation Firm in Legal 500 Canada – Canada's leading litigation firm is once again recognized as a "litigation powerhouse" according to Legal 500 Canada.
- Chambers Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght as a Top-Tier Litigation Firm – Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators continue to be recognized by world-renowned directory, Chambers & Partners.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Recognized as Best Lawyers in Canada In the latest edition of Best Lawyers in Canada, 41 of our expert litigators are recognized for their expertise across 24 practice areas. The following lawyers have also been recognized as "Lawyer of the Year" for receiving the highest overall peer-feedback in their practice areas in Toronto.
- Peter Griffin Receives King's Counsel Designation The King's Counsel designation is given to lawyers who have demonstrated a commitment to the pursuit of legal excellence in service to the Crown, the public and their communities.



- Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Excellence Recognized in 2023 Lexpert Directory – Following comprehensive peer review surveys and interviews with senior members in the legal profession, the 2023 Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory has recognized 31 of the firm's expert litigators for their experience, knowledge, and precision, with 108 rankings spanning 17 practice areas.
- Chambers Global Recognizes Lenczner Slaght for the 21st Consecutive Year – Canada's leading litigation firm continues to be recognized for its dispute resolution expertise by world-renowned directory, Chambers Global, alongside notable full-service, national, and international firms.
- Lenczner Slaght's 22nd Year at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's Eye

   The 2023 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500
   Lawyers in Canada continues to recognize Lenczner Slaght as the #1
   firm in Toronto for Litigation and Commercial Litigation.
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized Among Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers – Following an in-depth peer review process, the 2022 Lexpert Special Edition: Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers guide recognizes 15 Lenczner Slaght lawyers for their extensive courtroom experience and subject-matter expertise. We know courts, and courts know and trust us. That is why clients turn to us to solve their most complex legal problems.
- Lenczner Slaght Stands Out as a "Litigation Powerhouse" in Legal 500 Canada – Canada's leading litigation firm is once again ranked in Tier 1 for Dispute Resolution by Legal 500 Canada.
- Lenczner Slaght Successful for Annapolis at Supreme Court of Canada – In Annapolis Group Inc. v Halifax Regional Municipality, our expert litigators were successful at the Supreme Court of Canada in reversing a decision of the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal granting summary judgment against Annapolis Group Inc. ("Annapolis"). The Supreme Court of Canada concluded that Annapolis' claim for *de facto* expropriation (or, "constructive taking", the term preferred by the majority of the Supreme Court) could proceed to trial. Peter Griffin, Scott Rollwagen, Rebecca Jones and Amy Sherrard were counsel to Annapolis Group, the successful appellant.
- SCC Takes Expansive Approach to Regulatory 'Constructive Taking' Claims Against Public Authorities – The Lawyer's Daily discussed the SCC's decision in Annapolis Group Inc. v Halifax Regional Municipality. As counsel to the successful appellant, Peter Griffin, Scott Rollwagen, Rebecca Jones, and Amy Sherrard are mentioned in the article.
- Lenczner Slaght Ranked Band 1 in Chambers Canada for 5th Consecutive Year – Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators continue to be recognized in the latest edition of worldrenowned directory, Chambers & Partners.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Recognized Among the Best Lawyers in Canada – In the latest edition of Best Lawyers in Canada, 39 of our expert litigators are recognized by their peers for their expertise across 24 practice areas.
- Legalwriter.Net's Top 10 Business Decisions of 2021, Part II and the Law Firm Players – Grant Thornton LLP v New Brunswick is featured as one of the top 10 business decisions of 2021 by LegalWriter.net. Peter Griffin, lead counsel for the successful appellant, was interviewed on the significance of the case.
- The 2022 Lexpert Directory Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Excellence – 31 of our expert litigators are recognized by their peers as the foremost practitioners across 18 fields.
- Lenczner Slaght Ranked for the 20th Consecutive Year in Chambers Global –



Canada's leading litigation firm continues to be recognized for its dispute resolution expertise by world-renowned directory, Chambers Global, alongside notable full-service, national, and international firms.

- Lenczner Slaght's 21st Year at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's Eye Lenczner Slaght continues to be recognized as the #1 firm in Toronto for Litigation and Commercial Litigation by the 2022 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada.
- Mercedes-Benz Settles Canadian Diesel Emissions Class Action Daimler AG and its Canadian and American Mercedes-Benz subsidiaries have agreed to settle a class proceeding concerning approximately 83,000 "BlueTEC" diesel vehicles in Canada. The proposed settlement provides for cash payments and other benefits to current and former owners and lessees.
- Lexpert Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Expertise Following an in-depth peer review process, the 2021 Lexpert Special Edition: Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers guide recognizes 19 Lenczner Slaght lawyers for their extensive courtroom experience and subject-matter expertise.
- Top 10 Business Decisions of 2020-2021 In Lexpert's Top 10 Business Decisions of 2020-2021 article, Lenczner Slaght is featured for its involvement in Grant Thornton LLP v New Brunswick and Corner Brook (City) v Bailey. Peter Griffin also provides his expert insights on the significance of Grant Thornton LLP v New Brunswick for the feature.
- Legal 500 Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Dominance Legal 500 recognizes Canada's leading litigation firm as "a regular fixture in the country's ground-breaking contentious cases".
- Federal Judge Hears Arguments in Roberts Bank Battle Business in Vancouver provides coverage of Peter Griffin, Matthew B. Lerner, and Chris Yung on their recent appearance before the Federal Court regarding Vancouver Fraser Port Authority and GCT Global Container Terminals Canada Ltd.
- Chambers Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Excellence – Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators continue to advance their position in the latest edition of world-renowned directory, Chambers & Partners.
- Law'77 grad receives Law Society of Ontario's highest honour In a recent feature by Queen's Law, Peter Griffin offers sage advice to upand-coming litigators.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Ranked Among Best Lawyers in Canada

   In the latest edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada*, 37 of our expert litigators are recognized for their expertise across 25 practice areas.
- SCC 'Clarified and Reaffirmed' Discoverability Principle in Limitations Period Decision: Counsel – In a recent article by The Lawyer's Daily, Peter Griffin provides his expert insights on the SCC decision in Grant Thornton LLP v New Brunswick.
- Benchmark Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght as a "Powerhouse" – Canada's leading litigation firm continues to be recognized with the top tier ranking of "Highly Recommended in Ontario" for its Dispute Resolution practice.
- Law Society Awards 2021: Recognizing Excellence Peter Griffin is featured in the LSO's Gazette article on the 2021 Law Society Award recipients. Peter will be honoured with the prestigious Law Society Medal on May 26, 2021.



- The 2021 Lexpert Directory Recognizes 30 Lenczner Slaght Lawyers

   An increasing number of our expert litigators are recognized by their peers as the foremost practitioners in their fields.
- Peter Griffin to Receive Prestigious Law Society Medal Canada's leading litigation firm is proud to announce that Peter Griffin will be recognized for his exceptional contribution to the legal profession at the virtual Law Society of Ontario Awards Celebration on May 26, 2021.
- Lenczner Slaght Ranked for the 19th Consecutive Year in Chambers Global – Canada's leading litigation firm is once again recognized for its dispute resolution expertise by world-renowned directory, Chambers Global, alongside notable full-service, national, and international firms.
- Lenczner Slaght Achieves 20 Years at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's-Eye – The 2021 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada continues to recognize Lenczner Slaght as the #1 firm in Toronto for Litigation and Commercial Litigation.
- Lexpert Recognizes Lenczner Slaght Lawyers for Litigation Excellence – An increasing number of our expert litigators continue to be recognized as the foremost litigators in their fields by peers and senior members of the legal profession.
- Legal 500 Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Top-Tier Litigation Expertise – Canada's leading litigation firm is "recognized across the country as a force in complex disputes" according to Legal 500.
- Who's Who Legal: Canada 2020 Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Expert Litigators – In the latest edition of Who's Who Legal: Canada, Lenczner Slaght achieves eight recognitions in the Litigation chapter, with a total of ten expert litigators ranked.
- When law firms need lawyers, whom do they call? Peter Griffin was interviewed for the LegalWriter.net article "When law firms need lawyers, whom do they call?".
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized as a Top-Tier Litigation Firm by Chambers Canada – Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators continue to be recognized by world-renowned directory, Chambers & Partners.
- Best Lawyers in Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Expertise – Lenczner Slaght is proud to announce that 33 of our expert litigators are recognized in Best Lawyers in Canada 2021. Our lawyers received a total of 128 rankings, up from 100 in 2020.
- Lexpert Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Professional Excellence Lenczner Slaght's litigators continue to be recognized by their peers as the foremost practitioners in their fields.
- Chambers Global Recognizes Lenczner Slaght for the 18th Consecutive Year – Canada's leading litigation firm continues to be recognized for its dispute resolution expertise by world-renowned directory, Chambers Global, alongside notable full-service, national, and international firms.
- Lenczner Slaght's Expert Litigators Ranked in Who's Who Legal: Canada 2019 – Canada's leading litigation firm continues to be recognized for its exceptional litigation expertise.
- Lenczner Slaght's 19th Year at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's-Eye Canada's leading litigation firm continues to be recognized as the #1 firm in Toronto for Litigation and Commercial Litigation by the 2020 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada.
- Lexpert Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Leading Litigation Lawyers Peers and senior members of the legal profession continue to recognize



our expert lawyers among the foremost litigators in their fields.

- Legal 500 Recognizes Lenczner Slaght as a "Litigation Powerhouse" – Legal 500 distinguishes Canada's leading litigation firm for its "deep bench and first-class trial experience."
- Chambers Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght as a Top-Tier Litigation Firm – Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators continue to advance their position in the latest edition of world-renowned directory, Chambers Canada, with nine new rankings.
- Best Lawyers in Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght with 100 Rankings – In the latest edition of Best Lawyers in Canada, 28 Lenczner Slaght lawyers earned a total of 100 rankings, up from 86 in 2019.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Recognized for their Cross-Border Expertise – Seven Lenczner Slaght lawyers are ranked as leaders by peers and senior members of the legal profession for their cross-border experience.
- The 2019 Lexpert Directory Recognizes Lenczner Slaght with 89 Rankings – An increasing number of our expert litigators are recognized by their peers as the foremost practitioners in their fields.
- Benchmark Canada Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Excellence – Benchmark Canada 2019 not only recognizes Canada's leading litigation firm with the top tier ranking of "Highly Recommended in Ontario", 17 Lenczner Slaght litigators are also ranked for their expertise.
- Top 10 and More Deals Canada's leading litigation firm is proud to have acted in one of Lexpert's Top 10 Deals of 2018. Algoma Steel Inc. was featured in the February issue of Lexpert Magazine as one of the most impactful deals in Canada last year. Lenczner Slaght represented GIP Primus, L.P. and Brightwood Loan Services L.L.C. in connection with the sale of the port assets with a team consisting of Peter Griffin, Monique Jilesen, Scott Rollwagen, and Matthew Lerner.
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized for Dispute Resolution by World-Renowned Directory – The Chambers Global rankings are the culmination of extensive research and interviews with firm clients and legal professionals around the world who have recognized Lenczner Slaght for its extensive trial experience and commitment to delivering the best results for its clients.
- Another Bull's-Eye for Canada's Leading Litigation Firm Lenczner Slaght is once again recognized as the #1 firm in Toronto for Litigation and Commercial Litigation by the 2019 Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada.
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized as a Top-Tier Litigation Firm by Legal 500 – Legal 500 recognizes Lenczner Slaght as the "best litigation boutique in Canada."
- Lexpert Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Excellence in Litigation Our expert litigators continue to be recognized as the foremost litigators in their fields by peers and senior members of the legal profession.
- Who's Who Legal: Canada 2018 Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Strength – Seven Lenczner Slaght litigators are once again recognized for their exceptional expertise.
- Who's Who Legal Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Dominance – Eight Lenczner Slaght lawyers are recognized globally for their superb litigation expertise.
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized as a "Litigation Powerhouse" Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert litigators continue to be recognized by world-renowned directory, Chambers & Partners.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Ranked in Best Lawyers in Canada –





Canada's leading litigation firm is proud to announce that 25 of the firm's 58 lawyers have been recognized in the *Best Lawyers in Canada 2019* publication across multiple categories.

- Lexpert Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Cross-border Expertise Nine partners from Canada's leading litigation firm are ranked as leading the way in cross-border practice excellence.
- Lexpert Recognizes Lenczner Slaght's Professional Excellence An increasing number of the firm's lawyers have been ranked by their peers as leading practitioners in their field.
- Lenczner Slaght Receives Top Tier Ranking in Benchmark Litigation – 19 Lenczner Slaght leading litigators are ranked in Benchmark Litigation's 2018 directory, including 7 new additions since last year. Three of the firm's litigation stars are also recognized as a Top 50 Trial Lawyer in Canada.
- Lenczner Slaght Ranked for the 16th Consecutive Year in Chambers Global 2018 – Canada's leading litigation firm is once again recognized in the area of Dispute Resolution by this world-renowned directory alongside notable full-service, national and international firms.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Lead in the 2018 Lexpert/ALM 500 Rankings – Canada's leading litigation firm is one of two firms with the highest number of lawyers ranked in Corporate Commercial Litigation in the 2018 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada.
- Lenczner Slaght is Named a Top-Tier Firm in Legal 500 Rankings Along with the firm's Tier 1 ranking in Dispute Resolution with four leading lawyers and one next generation lawyer recognized, Lenczner Slaght is also ranked in Intellectual Property, Labour and Employment, and Competition and Antitrust.
- Lexpert Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Litigation Strength A total of 13 Lenczner Slaght litigators have once again been ranked among the foremost litigators in their field in the 2017 Lexpert/ROB Special Edition: Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers.
- Lexpert's Big Suits: Essar Steel Algoma Inc. et al (Re), 2017 Essar Steel Algoma Inc. et al (Re), 2017 featured in the 2017 issue of Lexpert/ROB Special Edition: Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers as one of the Top 5 Big Suits of 2017. In this particular litigation of significance, Lenczner Slaght's Peter Griffin, Monique Jilesen, and Matthew B. Lerner represented GIP Primus LP and Brightwood Loan Services LLC.
- Lenczner Slaght's Cross-Border Litigation Expertise is Highly Ranked – Almost half of the partners at Canada's leading litigation firm are ranked with one Litigation Lawyer to Watch and 12 Leading Cross-Border Litigation Lawyers.
- Peter Griffin Constitutes Excellence in Civil Litigation Lenczner Slaght's managing partner, Peter Griffin, is the 2017 recipient of the OBA Award for Excellence in Civil Litigation.
- Who's Who Legal: Canada 2017 Highlights Lenczner Slaght Litigators – Lenczner Slaght is proud to be named as "the foremost litigation team in the country" by Who's Who Legal: Canada 2017, with six of our expert litigators recognized for their exceptional work representing clients.
- Lenczner Slaght and Koskie Minsky Commence Class Action Against Nissan Canada Inc. – The two firms have combined forces and launched a class proceeding against Nissan, and other defendants, alleging that certain Nissan models contain a dangerous engine defect.
- OBA Celebrates the Extraordinary Career of Peter Griffin Peter Griffin



was mentioned in the Ontario Bar Association article *OBA Celebrates the Extraordinary Career of Peter Griffin* that details why he was awarded the prestigious 2017 Award of Excellence in Civil Litigaiton.

- Lenczner Slaght Recognized in Chambers Canada 2018 Canada's leading litigation firm and its expert lawyers are ranked once again by Chambers & Partners for their exceptional litigation work.
- The Lenczner Slaght 25th Anniversary Party Peter Griffin and Laura Robinson were quoted in Precedent Magazine's article Lenczner Slaght's 25th Anniversary Party on September 22, 2017. Peter and Laura spoke about the history and growth of the firm and its strong reputation as a "major force in the profession".
- Lenczner Slaght Ranked Among the Best Almost half of the leading litigation firm's lawyers are recognized in the Best Lawyers in Canada.
- Top 10 habits of a leading litigator Peter Griffin was quoted in the Canadian Lawyer article *Top 10 habits of a leading litigator* on June 12, 2017 regarding what strategies, skills and steps litigation powerhouses employed to become a leading lawyer in their field.
- Lenczner Slaght Shines in 2017 Lexpert Rankings Lenczner Slaght's litigators continue to be recognized by their peers as leading practitioners in their fields according to the 2017 Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory.
- 23 Percent of Lenczner Slaght Lawyers ranked in Benchmark Litigation 2017 – 12 Lenczner Slaght leading litigators are ranked in Benchmark Litigation's 2017 directory.
- Lenczner Slaght is the Unrivaled Litigation Boutique in Chambers Global 2017 – The firm's litigators earned the top rankings alongside fullservice, national and international counterparts in the litigation categories.
- Lenczner Slaght lawyers recognized in Lexpert ALM 500 Guide Canada's leading litigation boutique leads all firms with 10 lawyers ranked in litigation practice areas in the 2017 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada ("ALM 500")
- Atos Inc v Sapient Canada Inc Ontario Superior Court of Justice awards \$5.5 million to Atos Inc following successful trial
- 16 Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Ranked as Canada's Leading Litigators – Number of Lenczner Slaght lawyers ranked in the year-end Lexpert Special Edition published in conjunction with *Report on Business* magazine jumps to 16.
- Peers Recognize Lenczner Slaght's Expertise in Cross-border Litigation – Fifteen Lenczner Slaght lawyers have been ranked in the Lexpert 2016 Guide to the Leading U.S/Canada Cross-Border Litigation Lawyers in Canada
- Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Ranked Best Nearly half of the firm's lawyers recognized among Canada's foremost practitioners
- 23 Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Ranked in 2016 Lexpert Directory This year, the Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory increased the number of Lenczner Slaght lawyers ranked among the best in Canada to 23, up from 20 in 2015.
- Lenczner Slaght and Koskie Minsky launch class action suit against Mercedes-Benz over diesel emissions – Lenczner Slaght and Koskie Minsky have combined forces to launch a class proceeding against Mercedes-Benz Canada Inc., Daimler AG, and other defendants...
- Lenczner Slaght Remains Among Top in Chambers Global Rankings – Canada's leading litigation practice recognized in tier one for 14 consecutive years.
- Lenczner Slaght Scores Bull's Eye in Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada –



Canada's leading litigation practice once again tops the list of litigation firms in the 2016 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada.

- Lenczner Slaght Leads in Cross-Border Litigation Recognition of Lenczner Slaght lawyers as Canada's Leading Cross-Border Litigators Endures
- Lenczner Slaght Recognized by Who's Who Legal 2015 Seven lawyers singled out by peers as leading practitioners in their field.
- Lenczner Slaght Honoured by Chambers Canada for Dispute Resolution – Canada's leading litigation firm takes first ever Chambers Canada award for Dispute Resolution Team of the Year
- Recognized as Leading Litigation Lawyers Lenczner Slaght lawyers recognized for litigation in 2015 Who's Who Legal.
- 20 Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Recognized in 2015 Lexpert Directory Recognized by Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory as leading practitioners.
- Peter Griffin retained to act as a Facilitator in review of the First Nations Cigarette Allocation System – The Ministry of Finance of Ontario has retained two independent expert facilitators to lead the formal review.
- Lenczner Slaght Repeatedly Tops Chambers Global Ranking Canada's leading litigation practice remains highly regarded for 13 consecutive years.
- Lenczner Slaght "a fortress inhabited by litigation royalty" 13 Lenczner Slaght lawyers recognized in the 2015 Benchmark Litigation Directory.
- Lenczner Slaght Remains at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's-Eye Canada's leading litigation practice is once again ranked #1 in The 2015 Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada.
- Premier practice comprised of Toronto's premier litigators Legal 500 Canada recommends Lenczner Slaght in Dispute Resolution, Intellectual Property, Labour and Employment Law.
- A Leader in Cross-Border Litigation 14 Lenczner Slaght litigators ranked in Lexpert 2014 Guide to the Leading U.S/Canada Cross-Border Litigation Lawyers in Canada.
- Recognized as Canada's Leading Litigators Lenczner Slaght Lawyers listed in the year-end Lexpert Special Edition published in conjunction with Report on Business magazine.
- 23 Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Ranked Among the Best Nearly half of the firm's 49 lawyers are ranked as leading practitioners and two named "Lawyer of the Year" in the latest Best Lawyers in Canada Directory.
- Another Lenczner Slaght Lawyer Named Top 25 Most Influential Peter Griffin recognized as one of Canada's Most Influential Lawyers in corporate-commercial law.
- Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Recognized in Litigation Six of the firm's lawyers are ranked in Who's Who Legal: Litigation 2014.
- Lenczner Slaght Increases Rankings in 2014 Lexpert Directory Canada's leading litigation practice continues to add new names to the list.
- Lenczner Slaght Tops Chambers Global Ranking Canada's leading litigation practice remains in Band 1 for 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.



- The Rise of the Boutique Law Firm Peter Griffin was quoted in this LawTimes article (on page 11) on March 24, 2014, following his interview with Marg Bruineman about the 'rise of the...
- Lenczner Slaght is at the Centre of the Lexpert Bull's-Eye Canada's leading litigation practice is once again ranked #1 in The 2014 Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada.
- Lenczner Slaght Lawyers among Canada's Leading Litigators Lenczner Slaght lawyers recognized in the year-end Lexpert Special Edition published in conjunction with Report on Business magazine.
- Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Ranked Among the Best Canada's leading litigation practice has 22 professionals in the 2014 Best Lawyers in Canada list.
- Lenczner Slaght in Top Tier and 11 Lawyers Ranked as Stars Canada's leading litigation practice also wins two national impact cases.
- Lenczner Slaght Lawyers Win Top Peer Ratings Recognized by Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory as leading practitioners.
- Former Canadian Supreme Court Justice Joins Toronto Litigation Boutique – Peter Griffin and Ian Binnie, K.C. speak to American Lawyer Magazine about the former Justice's return to the practice of Iaw. The article appeared in...
- Lenczner Slaght Achieves Top Ranking Lenczner Slaght in the top band of Canadian litigation practices.
- Canadian Lawyer's list of the top 10 boutique firms in litigation Receiving by far the most mentions from Bay Street lawyers and inhouse counsel, Lenczner Slaght is clearly the top pick when it comes to Toronto litigation boutiques.
- Appeal filed in frostbite lawsuit Peter Griffin retained to appeal denial of \$15-million award for personal injury.

# **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- American College of Trial Lawyers Fellow; Chair, Ontario Committee
- The Advocates' Society Past President 2012–2013
- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association
- Sir William Campbell Foundation
- > Commercial List Users' Committee
- Turnaround Management Association
- Quadrennial Commission for Judicial Compensation Commissioner (2016-2023)



