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OUR GROUP

Miller Thomson's Health Industry Litigation record is impressive. As the rules and regulations governing the health industry become more complex and stringent, health industry organizations are seeing a meteoric rise in the number of disputes with regulatory bodies. Our lawyers have defended more than 3,000 medical negligence actions, and have represented health professionals in diverse areas of the law such as real estate, intellectual property, insurance and arbitration, including defending charges under the Criminal Code of Canada.

Our firm-wide Litigation Group is one of the largest in Canada, and includes lawyers with experience in both trial advocacy and in developing settlement options. We pledge to keep clients current with every aspect of the work we perform, and ensure they understand all options and expected outcomes.

OUR APPROACH

We seek cost-effective options for our clients, and we are proponents of alternative dispute resolution, mediation, arbitration and private litigation. We know that success in litigation is defined by more than winning at trial. Success is also measured by factors such as achieving budgetary goals, preserving relationships and avoiding unnecessary expense.

OUR EXPERTISE

Our Group has considerable litigation experience within the health industry, advising both private and public sector institutions, as well as municipal, provincial and federal governments and government agencies.

We represent clients before courts and tribunals at all levels of government, including the Tax Court, the Supreme Court of Canada, the Ontario and Canadian Human Rights Commissions,

Royal Commissions, administrative agencies, public and judicial inquiries, legislative committees, Municipal Government Boards, various municipal Planning Commissions and Development Appeal Boards, professional regulatory bodies, and Coroner's inquests.

Our litigation experience covers the full spectrum of health industry law, including:

- Professional and medical negligence
- Product liability - including malfunctioning medical devices
- Provincial offences
- Occupational health and safety
- Regulated health profession matters
- Environmental protection
- Commercial litigation
- Contractual disputes
- Construction disputes
- Class actions
- Injunction applications
- Judicial review and constitutional litigation

Members of our Health Litigation Group also have experience in alternative dispute resolution procedures such as mediation and arbitration. These have proven to be valuable and effective alternatives, particularly when the matter requires a confidential resolution, an adjudicator or mediator with specialized skills or technical knowledge, or determination within a time frame not possible in the Courts.