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## MILLER THOMSON MAKES FURTHER INVESTMENTS IN THE GREATER TORONTO AREA

## First national law firm to establish footprint in the City of Vaughan

**TORONTO, ON, January 11, 2017** – Canadian business law firm Miller Thomson is establishing a new office to be located in the City of Vaughan. The 22,000 square foot facility in the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre will initially support 30 lawyers backed by more than 525 partners and associates working across the country. The Vaughan office will offer a full range of legal services in what has become one of the top cities for business in Canada.

"We are committed to the Canadian market and we were drawn to Vaughan because of the strength of its business community," said Kent Davidson, Chair of Miller Thomson. "As champions of independent business across the country, we provide counsel that is central to our clients' business and financial success. By definition these are close relationships and proximity matters."

Miller Thomson has offices on Bay Street and 11 other key business centres across the country.

"Establishing an office in Vaughan is a perfect strategic fit for our firm on many levels," said Peter Auvinen, Managing Partner, Toronto. "Vaughan has a vibrant, successful business community that requires sophisticated legal services. Our Vaughan office will service our clients' local legal needs and will serve as a gateway to our network of offices across the country."

Many of the lawyers slated to work out of the Vaughan office already have clients in the area and strong personal connections to the city.

"Being close to our clients and the communities which we serve is an important part of our overall firm strategy," said Auvinen. "Many of our lawyers and staff already have deep roots in Vaughan and many other parts of York Region. In part, the decision to establish an office in Vaughan was motivated by our desire to be more accessible to our clients and build even stronger ties to the community."

Miller Thomson's Vaughan office will officially open in Spring 2017.

## About Miller Thomson

Miller Thomson LLP is a national business law firm with more than 525 lawyers working from 12 offices across Canada. The firm offers a complete range of business law, advocacy and personal legal services. Miller Thomson works regularly with in-house legal departments and external counsel worldwide to facilitate cross-border and multinational transactions and business needs. Miller Thomson offices are located in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, Saskatoon, London, Kitchener-Waterloo, Guelph, Toronto, Markham, Vaughan and Montréal. For more information, visit <u>www.millerthomson.com</u>

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