



Product Liability

Product liability claims are by nature complex. They may include class proceedings, mass tort litigation, warranty issues, manufacturer's liability, product design litigation, warnings and recalls.

When faced with a product liability claim, clients will benefit from our proven ability to:

- Provide timely advice to prevent further damage to operations and brand
- Develop a strategy based on extensive experience with all aspects of product liability law
- Simplify a claim to obtain positive results

Lawson Lundell's Product Liability Group has successfully represented a broad range of local, national and international clients in numerous proceedings. We represent clients before both the courts and administrative panels, such as coroner's inquiries, industrial accident investigations and workers compensation matters.

We have particular expertise acting for major industrial manufacturers, including leading engineering, mining, forest products and railroad companies. Our product experience covers:

- Asbestos products
- Automobiles and other consumer transportation products
- Aviation
- Construction products (including waterproofing and fireproofing)
- Food products
- Forest products (including trusses and other engineered wood products)
- Gasoline dispensing
- Home consumer products
- Industrial equipment
- Marine engines
- Mining
- Pulp and paper
- Railroad propulsion systems
- Steel products (including bolts and fasteners)
- Tobacco
- Tools and heavy equipment, including cranes

Experience

- Counsel for the government of Canada in ongoing national tobacco litigation
- Successfully represented our client in the first property asbestos damage case in Canada
- Recently acted as Canadian counsel for two major US manufacturers in "mega" asbestos proceedings involving U.S. and Canadian buildings



Litigation & Dispute Resolution

- Administrative, Constitutional and Public Law
- Class Action
- Commercial Litigation
- Defamation and Media
- Insurance Litigation
- Pension and Benefits Litigation
- Product Liability
- Real Estate Litigation
- Securities Litigation

Industries

- Construction and Engineering

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- Successfully represented a major US manufacturer in a steel clamp failure case involving an industrial accident
- Ongoing representation of a major European manufacturer of automobiles with respect to product liability claims in British Columbia
- Successfully represented our client in a claim regarding the manufacturing of bicycle components
- Successfully represented our client in a claim involving a defective crane
- Representation of a large international manufacturer of hoists in a matter involving an elevator accident
- Representation of major mining company relating to defective boiler claim involving an explosion
- Successful representation of a charter airline with respect to a claim relating to a propeller and propeller maintenance
- Succeeded in striking a claim against our clients in an action involving a defective fan in a plywood mill that led to a large fire

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