# OCCUPIERS LIABILITY



Being in possession or control of premises creates numerous legal responsibilities. We act for insurers, self-insured corporations and individuals to address all manner of claims and risk management issues impacting Canadian property owners, renters, retailers, property managers and maintenance companies.

## OUR EXPERTISE

Our group has significant experience handling a broad range of issues arising out of the possession or control of premises. Our experience includes handling all manner of personal injury matters, property damage claims and contractual disputes. The scope of claims range from minor slip and falls to catastrophic injuries.

Our group has extensive experience defending occupiers in both the residential and commercial context. We are well-versed in all liability issues that arise in claims against occupiers including the steps necessary to establish a system of maintenance and supervision that is necessary in most claims. We also provide risk management advice to our clients to assist in the prevention of such claims and to strengthen their defences in the event such claims arise.

Further, we have a broad range of experience handling the medical/damages side of occupiers claims, including access to a vast network of experts who can assist in providing opinion evidence as is required.

## **OUR SERVICES**

The Occupiers Liability Practice Group provides a full scope of legal services to those responsible for the care and control of property, from residential property owners and tenants to large commercial entities. Our group members have significant trial experience and have appeared at all levels of court in British Columbia and Ontario and provided representation in the following matters:

- Personal injury claims
- Property damage claims
- Insurance coverage disputes
- Contractual disputes

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## INDUSTRY INVOLVEMENT

Our lawyers are actively involved in a number of industry associations including:

- Canadian Bar Association Insurance Law Section
- Canadian Defence Lawyers
- Defence Research Institute

Our firm lawyers have also been recognized by the following publications:

- Best Lawyers In Canada
- Benchmark Canada
- Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory
- Lexpert Special Edition on Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers
- Canadian Lawyer

## **NETWORKS + AFFILIATIONS**

If you require advice on a jurisdiction outside of British Columbia and Ontario, we can call upon the expertise of our various networks and affiliations.

Through our membership in the ARC Group Canada Inc., we provide insurers and self-insured companies with insurance and risk-related legal services across Canada. This membership also includes an affiliation with Legalign Global, a network of four of the world's leading insurance law firms. Through this network, we can respond directly and effectively to any global insurance claim.

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