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Operating from all major Canadian business centres, the firm's national Litigation Group represents clients in Canada's most demanding disputes, demonstrating expertise across several major mandates:

Appellate and rail litigation

Acted for Canadian Pacific in the Lac-Mégantic litigation, securing a landslide victory before the Québec Court of Appeal that dismissed all claims by the Attorney General of Québec, insurers and class action plaintiffs.

Acted for CN in *Canadian National Railway Company v. Canada (Transportation Agency)*, securing a precedent-setting Federal Court of Appeal decision establishing that commercial market factors must be considered in statutory rate-setting.

Cross-border litigation

Counsel to the Devas investors in multi-jurisdictional enforcement proceedings of two arbitral awards exceeding US$110 million against the Republic of India, securing a landmark decision on sovereign immunity before the Court of Appeal of Québec. Read more about the Supreme Court of Canada's decision denying leave to appeal.

Class action defence

Successfully defended Amazon in *Davis v. Amazon Canada Fulfillment Services, ULC*, securing a stay in favour of arbitration and defeating certification of a C$250 million national employment class action before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice and the Court of Appeal for Ontario.

Class action defence

Defended generic drug manufacturers in *Eaton v. Teva Canada Limited*, securing a complete dismissal of certification before the Federal Court of Canada in an industry-wide generic pharmaceutical price-fixing class action claiming C$5 billion in damages.

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