



Class action suit planned

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WOODSTOCK EXPLOSION AND FIRE

WOODSTOCK – One day after an explosion and fire destroyed a Woodstock apartment building, plans are being laid for a class-action lawsuit naming the building's owner.

Sharon Strosberg, a partner in a Toronto firm specializing in lawsuits involving explosions, said she has received numerous calls from victims affected by the fire.

It is possible a lawsuit may be filed as early as this week, and damages could be in the multi-million dollar range, she said. "Yes, that's possible."

Sutts, Strosberg, LLP and Falconer Charney, LLP will co-represent victims of the fire and explosion that left dozens homeless and two missing and feared dead.

Strosberg said that, even though a cause of the blaze has yet to be determined, it is not unusual to initiate legal action almost immediately.

"I think people right now want to know what their rights are ... they call their insurer or they call a lawyer."

People affected by the fire, even if they did not live in the apartment building, could be eligible to be compensated for any uninsured losses, costs associated with evacuation, lost wages and physical and emotional harm.

She urged anyone looking for information to call her at 519-561-6244.