

CANADA STUDENT LOANS CLASS ACTION LAUNCHED

TORONTO, January 18, 2013 - The law firms of Sutts, Strosberg LLP, Branch MacMaster LLP and Falconer Charney LLP have launched a national class action against the Government of Canada to secure recovery for students whose confidential personal information was stored on an external hard drive which was lost by the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Development. The lawsuit claims \$600 million in compensation.

On January 11, 2013, the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development announced that an external hard drive containing the personal information of 583,000 people who obtained student loans was lost on November 5, 2012.

“The loss of confidential personal information is a serious issue in the digital age. Through this class action, the Class Members seek to hold the Government of Canada accountable,” said Harvey T. Strosberg, Q.C. of Sutts, Strosberg LLP.

“We are shocked that the Government of Canada has known about this breach of privacy for so long without revealing to the country what happened,” said Ted Charney of Falconer Charney LLP.

“This is a classic case of a breach of privacy interests” said Ward Branch of Branch MacMaster LLP.

Harvey T. Strosberg, Q.C., is a pioneer in class action litigation and has been consistently recognized as one of the foremost class action litigators in Canada. Mr. Strosberg has recovered over \$1.5 billion for his class action clients.

Ward Branch is one of the foremost authorities on class actions and is the author of the leading text on class actions in Canada.

Ted Charney is a well-known Toronto litigation lawyer with extensive experience in litigating class action lawsuits.

Anyone whose personal information is on the lost external hard drive is encouraged to register their claim at:

www.studentloansclassaction.com

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