



## Falling glass results in class-action lawsuit

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Condo owners and residents have launched a lawsuit over glass that fell from balconies, such as this example at the Murano Towers at Bay and Grosvenor Sts. last September. (Toronto Sun files)

TORONTO - Two class-action lawsuits have been launched by owners and renters of downtown condominiums against the building's developers and falling glass from balconies.

The condominium class actions in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice have been launched by residents of Murano Towers and Festival Tower in the city's financial district area.

Named in the actions are Bay Grenville Properties Limited, Lanterra Developments Ltd., Toro Aluminium Railings Inc., architect firm Alliance and H&R Developments Inc.

“Our goal is to compensate the class members for the loss of use of their outdoor living space and to motivate the builders to correct the problem as soon as possible,” said Ted Charney, a partner of Falconer Charney LLP, a firm representing the residents.

The plaintiffs in the actions allege the defendants are responsible for the lost use of their balconies as they haven’t been able to open their doors for months.

“Outdoor living space in downtown Toronto sells for a premium and is an integral part of condo life. The developers promoted the sale of these units by emphasizing the sizeable balconies and terraces, but the class members have been unable to use their outdoor living space for over a year with no end in sight,” said Sharon Strosberg, a partner of Sutts, Strosberg LLP, which is also involved the actions.

A monthly lease in these condominiums is in the range of \$1,795.

For more information on the falling glass class actions go to the website [www.strosbergco.com](http://www.strosbergco.com) and [www.fallingglassclassaction.com](http://www.fallingglassclassaction.com).