

## CIVIL FRAUD RECOVERY

Fraud is an unfortunate reality in modern business, particularly for companies in the banking, financial, and insurance industries.

Lawyers of our Civil Fraud Recovery Group have experience with these industries, and are intimately familiar with the complicated legal regime that regulates fraud prosecutions and civil actions to recover assets or money lost through deceit.

Our lawyers have been successful in recovering millions of dollars for the benefit of our clients. Lawyers from the Civil Fraud Recovery Group have investigative experience, and assist our clients in delving into fraudulent claims and schemes.

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### Services

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A prompt and early response is frequently the best method to contain the effects of fraudulent conduct. On the recovery side, our Civil Fraud Recovery Group assists clients to proactively pursue legal remedies to address all forms of fraud, such as:

- employee theft and dishonesty;
- secret commission schemes;
- corporate espionage and security issues;
- mortgage fraud & fraudulent conveyances;
- bills of exchange (forgery and cheque kiting);
- internet and telemarketing fraud;
- investment fraud; and
- bankruptcy fraud.

As matters progress toward the courts, we provide a variety of services to facilitate recovery, including:

- surveillance and investigation;
- international asset tracing;
- money laundering (proceeds of crime) analysis;
- Mareva Injunctions;
- Anton Piller orders;
- discovery (Norwich Pharmacal) orders;
- assistance in making claims against fidelity bonds and insurance policies; and
- legal actions to trace and recover missing funds.

For our financial services clients, our Civil Fraud Recovery Group assists in civil recovery efforts and unraveling schemes such as mortgage frauds, securities frauds, and other forms of misrepresentation and deceit. For our corporate clients, our Civil Fraud Recovery Group also provides comprehensive risk management analysis including the implementation of 'whistle blower' programs in addition to unraveling employee theft and procurement frauds. We also provide corporate governance and audit advice, as well as seminars to train our clients on the detection and investigation of fraudulent claims.

Our Civil Fraud Recovery Group, where needed, works closely with our Police Services Group; and Investigation and Privacy Law Group. Our Civil Fraud Recovery Group lawyers are members of our "24/7" Emergency Response Team and will attend whenever and wherever our clients seek on-scene assistance that may arise from any type of incident.

### Publications

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- *Ontario Court of Appeal releases decision in expert evidence case*
- *Ever Escalating Claims - Updated: The Evolving Auto Insurance Product Stresses on the System*