

WHAT IS A CLASS ACTION?

A class action is a unique kind of lawsuit where a group of people who have the same problem get together and sue at the same time.

The group of people is called the “class”, and the size of the class can vary – a class must include at least two people, but there is no limit to how many people can be in a class.

A class action is a representative action. This means that the class is represented by an individual (or sometimes, several individuals) who is called the “representative plaintiff”.

A lawsuit can only become a class action if it is approved by the court. This process is called “certification”. It occurs via a motion before a judge.

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ABOUT US

Our focus is on class members – people who are part of a large civil lawsuit launched on their behalf by representative plaintiffs and class counsel.

The Clinic is staffed with a team of law students, review counsel and a faculty director who provide a range of legal services, information, assistance with filing claims in settlement distribution processes, public education and outreach.

Because we serve class members across Canada, the Clinic provides its services online, by telephone and by video conference, as well as in person for those in the Windsor-Essex community.

The Class Action Clinic at Windsor Law is the first clinic of its kind in North America.



The Class Action Clinic has received start-up funding from The Law Foundation of Ontario.

OUR SERVICES

1. Legal Information & Advice
2. Settlement Claims
3. Class Action Database

Our central mission is to serve the needs of class members across Canada. The Clinic is designed to provide class members summary advice, assistance with filing claims in settlement distribution processes, and representation in court proceedings.

The Clinic is also dedicated to creating greater awareness about class actions, through public education, outreach, and research. The Clinic will maintain a central class action repository of Ontario cases, carrying on the work of the Law Commission of Ontario once it has completed construction of the database.