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### Dermalive

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## Dermalive – Semi-Permanent Cosmetic Filler



Klein Lyons, in conjunction with Rosenberg & Rosenberg, is pursuing claims for Canadians who developed granulomas after using Dermalive. Dermalive is cosmetic filler that is injected under the skin to smooth out wrinkles and other cosmetic defects. Many patients have suffered irreversible disfigurement from the injections. A certification hearing is set for July 19 & 20, 2011 at the B.C. Supreme Court courthouse in Vancouver.

The Court will be asked to certify the lawsuit as a class action against the Canadian distributors of Dermalive.

It is alleged that the French manufacturer, Dermatech, and the Canadian distributors, Intradermal Distribution and Vivier Pharma, failed to warn patients and their physicians of the true risks associated with the use of Dermalive.

Nearly eleven thousand units of Dermalive were sold in Canada from 2003 until 2007 when sales in Canada were suspended. Patients world-wide have experienced various degrees of granulomatous reaction, a condition which can leave painful and disfiguring lumps, scarring and permanent disability such as the inability to smile. In many cases of granulomas, there is no cure. If you or someone you know has suffered from Dermalive side effects, please [call Klein Lyons](#) or fill out a confidential [online free consultation](#).

## Canadian Hard of Hearing – BC Receives \$41,000



On May 28, 2011 Klein Lyons presented the Canadian Hard of Hearing Association BC with a cheque for \$41,000. This contribution was approved by Madam Justice Russell of the BC Supreme Court of Canada as part of the BC Ear Bank class action settlement.

CHHA-BC provided the court with a proposal to use the money for a program called, "Managing Hearing Loss, Speech Reading Course." The goals of the program are to address the needs and challenges of hard of hearing people by offering specific coping strategies such as speech reading skills, technological aids for communication and education. This settlement contributes to an important program assisting people to cope with hearing loss.

## Sixties Scoop - A New Class Action Seeks Justice for Aboriginal British Columbians

A new class action lawsuit was recently filed on behalf of status Indian children in British Columbia who were

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you pay no fee –  
that's our  
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placed in foster care or adopted between 1962 and 1996.

The lawsuit was filed by a status Indian woman, a member of the Gitksan First Nation, who was taken from her parents and placed in foster care when she was seven years old. Her story isn't unique. Thousands of status

Indian children were taken from their communities by the car and busload and scattered to all parts of the globe, to non-Aboriginal families across Canada, the United States, and Europe. Thousands of Aboriginal families in Canada lost children to what became known as the "[Sixties Scoop](#)."

The case alleges that the Sixties Scoop worked to rob Aboriginal children of their identity and the Government of Canada took no steps to prevent status Indian children from losing their Aboriginal identity and the opportunity to exercise their Aboriginal and treaty rights when they were placed in foster homes and adopted by non-Aboriginals.

**You can learn more about the case and see if you qualify to be part of the lawsuit at [Klein Lyons' Aboriginal Sixties Scoop](#).**

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## Propecia Class Action Gets Green Light



The Honorable Mr. Justice R Punnnett of the Supreme Court of Canada has approved a schedule for the certification hearing for the Propecia & Proscar class action against Merk Frost Canada Ltd. and affiliated companies. Based on the approved schedule, the certification application can move forward to a hearing early in 2012.

Propecia and Proscar are prescribed as a cosmetic treatment for male pattern hair loss. It is alleged that the drug manufacturers failed to adequately warn Canadian men of the risks associated with the drugs and many patients suffered long-term, non-reversible sexual dysfunction.

If you or anyone close to you are suffering from medical problems caused by Propecia or Proscar, complete the [Do You Qualify form](#). Your inquiry will be kept completely confidential.

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