

WeirFoulds initiates Thalidomide litigation

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The claim, filed in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice on February 16, 2021, seeks compensation for the plaintiffs on the grounds that the federal government violated the plaintiffs' rights under sections 7 and 15 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. Among other things, the plaintiffs allege that the federal government failed to comply with its repeated undertakings to provide full support to Thalidomide survivors, and that the government's current funding programs are inadequate, discriminatory, and constitute a violation of the plaintiffs' rights to equality, life, liberty and security.

For more information and to read the official news release, please see below.[/vc_column_text][/vc_column][/vc_row][vc_row type="vc_default" gap="30"][vc_column][vc_tta_accordion spacing="10" gap="1" active_section="" collapsible_all="true" el_class="ThalidomideAccordion"][vc_tta_section title="News Release – February 16, 2021"][tab_id="news-release"][vc_column_text][Click here](#) to read the news release.[/vc_column_text][/vc_tta_section][vc_tta_section title="Statement of Claim" tab_id="statement-of-claim"][vc_column_text][Click here](#) to view the statement of claim.[/vc_column_text][/vc_tta_section][/vc_tta_accordion][/vc_column][/vc_row]