

HISTORY OF DSF

Devry Smith Frank *LLP* ("DSF") had its origins in 1964 when Howard R. Devry and William R. McClintock started "McClintock and Devry" in what was then the outdoor Don Mills Shopping Centre. They were shortly thereafter joined by Don Pierce, and the firm became McClintock, Devry and Pierce. Subsequently, after Mr. Pierce left to join a large downtown firm, Tim Deeth became a partner and the firm name changed to McClintock, Devry and Deeth.

Bill Smith joined the firm in 1980, and George Frank followed two years later. In 1982, Mr. McClintock left, and the firm again changed its name, this time to Devry and Deeth. In 1984, Mr. Deeth left and the firm became Devry, Smith & Frank, by which it has been known since.

The firm operated out of various offices in the Don Mills area including 170 the Donway West, 75 the Donway West and 40 Wynford Drive and moved into its current premises at 95 Barber Greene Road in October, 1988.

Throughout its early years, DSF served primarily individuals and small businesses, and had particular expertise in residential real estate, including subdivision work. Over the years, DSF expanded the areas in which its lawyers practiced, developed expertise in other legal services for individuals, expanding its personal injury practice to its current compliment of six lawyers, developing its expertise in employment law, expanding its capacities in real estate matters and wills, estates and estate planning and expanding its family law practice to its current compliment of five lawyers. At the same time, the firm expanded its business law services, developing an insurance defence practice, a commercial lending practice, a recovery, mortgage enforcement and collection practice and expanded its corporate commercial and planning and development practices.

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