

Gambling Addiction Leads To National Class Action Lawsuit

TORONTO – A national Class Action lawsuit has been launched claiming that people with Parkinson's disease developed a gambling addiction as a result of their use of the drug Mirapex. The plaintiffs, who are represented by the Toronto law firm of Thomson, Rogers, seek millions of dollars in compensation from the drug's Canadian manufacturer, Boehringer Ingelheim (Canada) Ltd., and two American corporations.

The representative claimant, Mr. Gerard Schick from Midland, Ontario, alleges that he began gambling compulsively after starting to take Mirapex and lost more than \$100,000. Some 100 or more Canadians are believed to have suffered a similar experience. Recent medical reports have linked the drug to compulsive behaviour including compulsive gambling. An American class action is already underway.

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