

Neighbourhood annoyances: the Court of Appeal rules against the principle of no fault liability

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On October 31, 2006, the Court of Appeal rendered two key decisions on the issue of neighbourhood annoyances in Quebec. It is greatly to their credit that these two judgments represent a return to more reasonable legal bases on this issue. The two Court of Appeal decisions followed trial court judgments rendered in connection with class actions brought, in one case, by residents living in the vicinity of the Domfer plant in Lasalle and, in the other case, by residents living in the vicinity of the St. Lawrence Cement plant in Beauport. We invite you to read our newsletter on the subject.