

Abbreviations

ACT	Aliança de Controle do Tabagismo (consumer protection group)
ADESF	Associação de Defesa da Saúde do Fumante (Association for the Defense of the Health of Smokers)
ALGA	ALGA Technology Corporation
ANADEUS	Asociación Nacional de Usuarios de la Seguridad Social (National Association of Users of the Social Security Services)
ANVISA	Agência Nacional de Vigilância Sanitária (National Health Surveillance Agency)
ASIC	Australian Securities and Investment Commission
ASR	Automatic Speech Recognition
BAT	British American Tobacco
BP	British Petroleum
BUNPIG	Buncefield Property Insurance Group
CA	Competent Authority
CAA	Clean Air Act
CAL	Israeli Class Action Law
CCCTB	Comitê Coordenador do Controle do Tabagismo no Brasil (anti-smoking advocacy group)
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act
CFAs	conditional fee agreements
Charter (The)	Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms
CMC	Case Management Conference
COMAH	Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 1999
CPP	Canada Pension Plan
DRAM	dynamic random access memory
EA	Environmental Agency

EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPS	earnings per share
FCAA	Federal Court of Australia Act 1976
FRCP	Federal Rules of Civil Procedure
Fund (The)	Ontario's Class Proceedings Fund
GAAP	Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
GLO	Group Litigation Order
HOSL	Hertfordshire Oil Storage Limited
HSE	Health and Safety Executive
IDEC	Instituto Brasileiro de Defesa do Consumidor (consumer protection group)
IHLS	independent high-level switch
ILF	International Litigation Funding Partners Pte Ltd
IMF	Australian litigation funder
IPO	initial public offering
ISA	Israeli Securities Authority
KapMuG	Kapitalanleger-Musterverfahrensgesetz (Capital Market Investors' Model Proceedings Act)
KYEC	King Yuan Electronics Company
LDCs	Language Development Companies
L&H	Lernout & Hauspie Speech Products
MBOA	Modernization of Benefits and Obligations Act
MDL	Multi-District Litigation
MI	Metropolis-Intercom
MIIB	Buncefield Major Incident Investigation Board
MTBE	Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether
NCSL	National Conference of State Legislatures
NHTSA	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
NIS	New Israeli Shekels
NTD	New Taiwan Dollars
NYSE	New York Stock Exchange
OSC	Ontario Securities Commission
PMI	Philip Morris Brasil Industria e Comercio Ltda. (subsidiary of Philip Morris International)

Proposition 65	Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act
PSCs	Plaintiff Steering Committees
R\$	Brazilian Reals
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
SERNAC	Servicio Nacional del Consumidor (public administrative agency in charge of protecting Chilean consumers)
SFIPC	Securities and Fortunes Investors Protection Center
SIFTP	Securities Investors and Fortunes Trader Protection Act
SOP	Statement of Position
SST	Soporte servicio técnico (technical support service)
TARP	Trouble Asset Relief Program
TASE	Tel Aviv Stock Exchange
TCC	Technology and Construction Court
TCCP	Taiwan Code of Civil Procedure
TWSE	Taiwan Stock Exchange
USTs	underground storage tanks
VEB	Vereniging van Effectenbezitters (Association of Smaller Investors in the Netherlands)
VTR	Chilean cable television company
WCAM	Wet Collectieve Afwikkeling Massaschade (Dutch Collective Mass Claims Settlement Act)

