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Stopping Fraud in its Tracks: Member Firm for Georgia Reaches out to British Columbia Member Firm to Assist Automotive and Trucking Industry Client

Alston & Bird LLP, Lex Mundi's member firm for Georgia, was approached by a major German truck manufacturer to pursue a complicated fraudulent transfer action case against a Canadian subsidiary of a worldwide leader in the automotive and trucking industry. The German manufacturer was a longstanding client of the firm's New York International Litigation Practice.

During early discussions, the client had expressed concern about having to "start from scratch" to find qualified counsel if it was determined that Canadian law (and not U.S. law) applied in the case. A partner with Alston & Bird said that his firm was able to assure the client that through their membership in Lex Mundi the Georgia firm would be able to immediately recommend a Canadian member firm that was both reliable and very knowledgeable in regards to the legal issues pertaining to the case.

As a result, the client retained Alston & Bird, who then worked closely with counsel in several countries including Canada. Even though Canadian law was not ultimately applied in the case, the Partner said that the assistance provided by Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy LLP, Lex Mundi's member firm for British Columbia, was greatly appreciated. In the end, the client's international fraudulent transfer action case resulted in the largest jury verdict awarded in the U.S. that year, as recognized by The National Law Journal.

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