## **NOVA SCOTIA COURT OF APPEAL**

Citation: Haggart v. Nova Scotia Public Service Long Term Disability Plan Trust Fund, 2003 NSCA 132

> Date: 20031205 Docket: CA194437 Registry: Halifax

**Between:** 

William Haggart

Appellant

v.

The Nova Scotia Public Service Long Term Disability Plan Trust Fund

Respondent

**Judge:** Saunders, J.A.

**Appeal Heard:** December 2, 2003

Subject: Interpretation of an insurance contract. Long term disability

benefits.

Summary: Mr. Haggart appealed the trial judge's dismissal of his claim wherein he

sued his long term disability insurer claiming breach of contract for termination of his benefits after he refused to submit to a psychological assessment as recommended. He also claimed bad faith and sought

aggravated and punitive damages against the insurer.

**Held:** Appeal dismissed.

The trial judge conducted a careful assessment of the material evidence and provided a well-articulated and reasoned analysis for dismissing the claim. No error found in his interpretation of the contract and guidelines or its application to the evidence. His strong findings of fact were all supported by the evidence and there was nothing to warrant this court's

intervention.

This information sheet does not form part of the court's judgment. Quotes must be from the judgment, not this cover sheet. The full court judgment consists of 4 pages.