

NOVA SCOTIA COURT OF APPEAL

Citation: *Cummings v. Belfast Mini-Mills Ltd.*, 2011 NSCA 56

Date: 20110609

Docket: CA 341131

Registry: Halifax

Between:

Wanda Cummings and Gillian Leigh

Appellants

v.

Belfast Mini-Mills and
International Spinners Ltd.

Respondents

Judge: The Honourable Justice David P.S. Farrar

Appeal Heard: May 24, 2011

Subject: **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, S.N.S. 1993, c. 5 (FOIPOP Act’). Confidentiality of Documents Filed in Support of an Application for Disclosure.**

Summary: The appellants appeal from a decision finding that documents filed in the Supreme Court in support of a judicial review application and four **FOIPOP Act** appeals were not subject to any blanket confidentiality order. They allege that the trial judge misinterpreted the **FOIPOP Act** and allege various breaches of their rights to privacy.

Issues: Whether the Chambers judge erred in finding that there was no blanket confidentiality for documents filed in support of a

FOIPOP Act appeal and dismissing the appellants' motion for an injunction.

Result:

Appeal dismissed. There is no blanket confidentiality for documents filed in support of a **FOIPOP Act** appeal to the Supreme Court nor was there any basis upon which the Chambers judge could grant the injunctive relief sought by the appellants.

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