# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA APPEAL DIVISION

## Hart, Jones and Macdonald, JJ.A.

### **BETWEEN:**

HARVEY SHORT		) Harold A. MacIsaac ) for the Appellant
- and -	Appellant	) ) Jonathan Davies ) for the Respondent
WORKERS' COMPENSATION		Appeal Heard:
	Respondent	March 15, 1990 ) Judgment Delivered: March 15, 1990
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THE COURT: Appeal dismissed without costs, per oral reasons for judgment of Hart, J.A.; Jones and Macdonald, JJ.A. concurring.

The reasons for judgment of the Court were delivered orally by:

# HART, J.A.:

This is an appeal against the decision of the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board by which the appellant's permanent partial disability was increased from 17% to 27%.

The principal argument of the appellant is that the Appeal Board did not give reasons for its decision and since the evidence would call for a much higher percentage, that the matter should be referred back to the Board for reconsideration.

In our opinion, the Appeal Board had complete jurisdiction under the <u>Workers' Compensation Act</u> to decide what functional disability applied to the appellant. In their decision they quoted from the medical evidence before them and accepted that the appellant was totally and permanently disabled from performing the type of work for which he was trained. He was limited in the future to other types of work and few of these occupations would be available to him in the area where he lived. After considering these circumstances, they concluded that his percentage of disability previously found by the Board should be increased.

We are satisfied that the Board has given adequate reasons for their conclusion and that there is no basis upon which this Court should interfere with their finding. We see

no error in law or jurisdiction on the part of the Appeal Board and would, therefore, dismiss the appeal without costs.

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Concurred in:

Jones, J.A. M. Macdonald, J.A.

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#### WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEAL BOARD HEARING

Transcript of evidence in the hearing of:

Mr. Harvey Short Sampson's Cove Richmond County, Nova Scotia BOE 3C0

Claim No. 1076299

Held at:

the Meeting Room, Claymore Motel Antigonish, Nova Scotia

Date:

November 6, 1989

Represented by:

Mr. Harold A. MacIsaac Barrister, Solicitor

Appellant:

Mr. Harvey Short

Chairman:

Mr. Lawrence Scaravelli

Board Members Present:

Mr. Donald Hutchinson Mrs. Shirley MacNeill

Recorded by:

Mr. John J. O'Brien

Transcript by:

Mrs. Mary B. Jewers