## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

**Citation:** Ellis Estate v. Cigna Life Insurance Company of Canada, 2005 NSSC 143

**Date:** 20050602

**Docket:** S.PH No. 199689 **Registry:** Port Hawkesbury

**Between:** 

The Estate of John Gary Ellis

**Plaintiff** 

v.

Cigna Life Insurance Company of Canada

Defendant

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**Judge**: The Honourable Justice Frank Edwards

**Heard:** May 20, 2005, in Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia

**Subject:** Determination of question of law -- Civil Procedure Rule 25;

interpretation of contract of insurance in light of agreed

statement of facts.

**Facts:** Agreed statement of facts. Issue was whether the Plaintiff

Insured suffered from a "pre-existing condition" within the

terms of the insurance policy.

**Result:** Action dismissed. Plaintiff did suffer from a pre-existing

condition within the terms of the Policy.

Cases Noted: Van Maele v. Alberta Blue Cross Benefits Corp, 2004

CarswellAlta 403 (Q.B.); Leveque v. Seaboard Life Insurance Co., 1995 CarswellSask 536 (Q.B.); Dunphy v. Seaboard Life Insurance Co. [1987] B.C.J. No. 45 (BC County Ct.); Hollett v. Insurance Corp of Newfoundland Ltd. [1985] N.J. No. 133 (Nfld.S.C.); The Forgo (Estate) v. TOS Insurance Services Ltd. [1994] B.C.J. No. 3004 (B.C.S.C.); Laurent v. Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada [1988] N.B.J. No. 621(N.B.C.A.)

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