

**SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA**  
**FAMILY DIVISION**

Citation: *Armoyan v. Armoyan*, 2015 NSSC 188

Date: 2015-06-26

Docket: No. SFHISOA 080027

Registry: Halifax

**Between:**

Lisa Armoyan

Applicant

v.

Vrege Armoyan

Respondent

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**Judge:** The Honourable Justice Theresa M. Forgeron

**Heard:** June 26, 2015, in Halifax, Nova Scotia

**Oral Decision:** June 26, 2015

**Written  
Decision:** June 29, 2015

**Subject:** Contempt – Penalty Stage

**Issues:** Penalty

**Conclusion:**

- Incarceration is an available penalty for a contempt finding arising from disobedience of a maintenance order.
- Principles applicable to the penalty stage of a contempt proceeding reviewed.
- A proportional penalty, designed to coerce compliance was granted given the egregious circumstances of the case. Imprisonment of four years, a fine of \$384,000, and costs of \$104,128.97.

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