IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

Citation: Boutcher v. Clearwater Seafoods Ltd. Partnership, 2005 NSSC 252

Date: 20050622 Docket: SH 244471 Registry: Halifax

Between:

Cecil Boutcher and Clyde Knickle

Plaintiffs

v.

Clearwater Seafoods Limited Partnership

Defendant

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Judge: The Honourable Justice Suzanne M. Hood

Heard: June 15, 2005 in Halifax, Nova Scotia

Written Decision: September 12, 2005

Subject: Severance/misjoinder: Rules 5.02 and 5.03

Summary: Employer terminated the employment of two fishing boat

captains. They commenced action for negligent

misrepresentation, wrongful dismissal and bad faith in the manner of their dismissal. Employer brings application for

misjoinder.

Issue: Should severance be granted?

Result: No misjoinder: application dismissed. Onus on

applicant to show misjoinder. Both causes of actions arose from

the same transaction or series of transactions.

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