IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

Citation: White v. Weeks, 2005 NSSC 65

Date: 20050330 Docket: 115015 Registry: Sydney

Between:

Michael White

Applicant

v.

Robert Weeks, Marjorie Weeks, and Ernest Weeks

Respondent

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Judge: The Honourable Justice Frank Edwards

Heard: March 29, 2005, in Sydney, Nova Scotia

Subject: CPR 9.07(1) – application to renew originating notice

and statement of claim.

Facts: Through inadvertence, solicitor had failed to arrange

service of the Originating Notice and Statement of Claim during the requisite six months. Defendants opposed application stating that they had been prejudiced by the passage of time. They also argued that because they had

limited financial means and no insurance, the

continuation of the lawsuit would be a financial hardship

for them.

Issue: Was the injustice to the Applicant outweighed by the

potential prejudice to the Defendants.

Result: Application granted. Injustice to the Applicant if

application denied far outweighed the potential prejudice to the Respondents. Further the financial means of the

Respondents was not relevant to the application.

Cases Noted: Minkoff v. Poole and Lambert (1991), 101 N.S.R. (2d)

143; 275 A.P.R. 143 and Gaul v. Pitts Insurance Co.,

[1977] N.S.J. No. 671 (SC TD)

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