IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

Citation: Orlandello v. Nova Scotia (Attorney General), 2004 NSSC 223

Date: 20041104

Docket: SH 171556

Registry: Halifax

Between:

Bernice Orlandello

Plaintiff

-and-

Attorney General of Nova Scotia

Defendant

-and-

Cheryl White, as representative of the Estate of Luke James Meredith, a deceased person, and Jill Chase

Third Parties

And Between:

Cheryl White, as representative of the Estate of Luke James Meredith, a deceased person, and Jill Chase

Plaintiff by Counterclaim

-and-

Bernice Orlandello

Defendant by Counterclaim

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Judge: The Honourable Justice Felix A. Cacchione

Heard: August 26th, 2004, in Halifax, Nova Scotia

Subject: Summary judgment (CPR 13) Stay of Proceedings

Summary: Plaintiff was injured in accident on provincial ferry and settled with driver and owner.

Plaintiff signed a release and then brought an action against defendant who brought a

third party claim. Third party applied for summary judgment on basis of release.

Issue: Scope of the release and whether it bars an action against the defendant

Result: Application for summary judgment and stay of proceedings dismissed on basis that

release is ambiguous and foresees possible future action because of the inclusion of an

indemnification clause.

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