SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

Citation: R. v. Calnen, 2015 NSSC 331

Date: 2015-11-17

Docket: CRH No. 426776

Registry: Halifax

Between:

Her Majesty the Queen

V.

Paul Trevor Calnen

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Judge: The Honourable Justice James L. Chipman

Heard: November 17, 2015 in Halifax, Nova Scotia

Subject: Motion for Directed Verdict

Summary: The Defence made a motion for a directed verdict of acquittal.

The Crown argued the circumstantial evidence led was sufficient to support causation and the requisite intent for

second degree murder.

Issues: On a limiting weighing of the circumstantial evidence, was

there sufficient evidence on all of the elements of second

degree murder?

Result: Found that after a limited weighing of the circumstantial

evidence it was sufficient on all of the essential elements of second degree murder. Accordingly, the directed verdict

motion was denied.

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