CASE VOL.

BOLANDS LIMITED, a body corporate, LOBLAWS PROPERTIES LIMITED, a body corporate, and the OSHAWA GROUP LIMITED, a body corporate

Appellants

- and -

IVAN SMITH HOLDINGS LIMITED, a body corporate

Respondent

**JUSTICE SUZANNE HOOD** 

HALIFAX, NS

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**HEARD:** Before the Honourable Justice Suzanne Hood at Halifax, Nova Scotia on

July 16, 2001

**DECISION:** November 26, 2001

**SUBJECT:** Judicial review; consensual arbitrator's patent unreasonableness.

**SUMMARY:** Lease contained an arbitration clause. Tenant seeks to have arbitrator's

decision quashed.

**ISSUES:** 1) Did the arbitrator correctly decide his jurisdiction?

2) Is the decision of a consensual arbitrator, protected by a privative clause,

immune from judicial review, even if patently unreasonable?

3) If not, was the arbitrator's decision patently unreasonable in this case?

**RESULT:** Arbitration clause was a limited arbitration clause. Arbitrator did not have

jurisdiction to award damages or apply the equitable principle of estoppel.

Consensual arbitrators not immune from judicial review if means of reaching result was unreasonable. Results reached within jurisdiction not

patently unreasonable.

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