SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA (FAMILY DIVISION)

Citation: Nova Scotia (Community Services) v. J.M., 2012 NSSC 19

Date: 2012/01/11

Docket: SFSNCFSA070478

Registry: Sydney

Between:

Minister of Community Services

Applicant

v.

JM and DS

Respondent

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Judge: The Honourable Justice Theresa M. Forgeron

Heard: November 14, 15, 21, 29, and 30, 2011, and December 7, 2011,

in Sydney, Nova Scotia

Oral Decision: January 11, 2012

Written Decision: January 18, 2012

Counsel: Robert Crosby, Q.C., for the applicant

JM on her own behalf DS did not participate

Subject: Family Law

Issues: The Minister of Community Services sought a permanent care and

custody order with no provision for access.

Result: Order granted. Protection concerns not resolved despite many

positive changes in the respondent's lifestyle. Services have not been concluded and thus protection concerns are ongoing. Time lines have expired. Access not ordered where permanency planning in place. Access would impede stranger adoption.

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