IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA IN BANKRUPTCY AND INSOLVENCY

Citation: Byrne (Re), 2012 NSSC 23

Date: January 18, 2012

Docket: B 35420 **Registry:** Halifax

District of Nova Scotia Division No. 03 - Sydney Court No. 35420 Estate No. 51-1397618

In the Matter of the Bankruptcy of Christopher James Byrne

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Registrar: Richard W. Cregan, Q.C.

Heard: November 17, 2011

Written Decision: January 18, 2012

Subject: The bankrupt made an assignment as a result of a judgment

obtained against him by The Facility Association which compensated his friend for injuries resulting from an accident

with a "Four Wheeler" driven by him which was not covered by

insurance.

Summary: The Association first asked that the Court annul his assignment.

This was denied. The Court was satisfied that what he did was not so egregious as to meet the requirement for an annulment.

Result: Alternatively the Association opposed his discharge. The Court

held following the *Kozack* case of the Supreme Court of

Canada, that, although limited responsibility only could be attributed to him, nevertheless what happened would be covered by Paragraph 173(1)(a) of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*. The condition of this discharge was that he consent to judgment for \$5000 and comply with certain administrative requirements.

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