

SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA
(Family Division)

Citation: Johnson v. Johnson, 2013 NSSC 181

Date: 20130613
Docket: 1201-059695
Registry: Halifax

Between:

Michael Kenneth Johnson

Petitioner

and

Patricia Elizabeth Johnson

Respondent

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Judge: The Honourable Associate Chief Justice Lawrence I. O’Neil

Hearing: February 18th, 2013

Issues: Whether the Court has jurisdiction to consider the application for contempt.

Summary: The Court concluded that given the application was for the payment of money, it did not have jurisdiction to consider the application. The Court identified alternatives that would grant it jurisdiction and alternatives to the contempt proceeding itself, which proceeding provided a potential remedy should blameworthy conduct or an omission be found.

Keywords: Contempt; jurisdiction

Legislation: R. 89.01

Cases Considered: *MacLellan v. Giovannetti*, 2012 NSSC 212
Godin v. Godin, 2012 NSCA 54
McMillan v. McMillan, 2012 NBQB 195

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