## **SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA**

**Citation:** R. v. R.R.D.G., 2013 NSSC 371

Date: 20131114 Docket: CRH 412256 Registry: Halifax

**Between:** 

Her Majesty the Queen

v.

R.R.D.G.

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**Judge:** The Honourable Justice Peter Rosinski

**Heard:** November 13, 2013, in Halifax, Nova Scotia

**Oral Decision:** November 14, 2013

Written Decision: November 20, 2013

**Subject:** Section 278.3 **Criminal Code** application for private records of

a complainant and a witness.

**Summary:** G sought various counselling records for the complainant JB and

her parent MR in the context of a sexual offence allegation by JB

against her stepfather G.

**Issue:** 1. Should the Court order that any of the records sought be

produced to the Court for its review?; and, if so:

2. Should the Court order that any of those records be

produced to the accused?

**Result:** Application dismissed. The Court will not review any of the

disputed records sought as the accused G has either not established that they are "likely relevant" and/or that their

production is "necessary in the interests of justice."