

**SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA**  
**(FAMILY DIVISION)**

**Citation:** *Pelley v. Peters*, 2014 NSSC 277

**Date:**20140713  
**Docket:** 1206-4207  
**Registry:** Sydney

**Between:**

Darrell Pelley

Applicant

v.

Deborah Peters

Respondent

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**Judge:** The Honourable Justice M. Clare MacLellan

**Heard:** June 18, June 20, and December 6, 2013, in Sydney, Nova Scotia

**Submissions Closed:** January 5, 2014

**Oral Decision:** March 28, 2014

**Written Decision on Costs:** July 13, 2014

**Subject:** Family Law

**Summary:** Oral decision outlined as basis for costs ordered against Respondent who was a Legal Aid client.

**Issues:** Costs; Appropriate costs in a matter where one party is represented by Legal Aid.

**Result:** Court found the Respondent was untruthful. Her behaviour protracted the divorce hearing. Some hardship expected where the Respondent is ordered to pay \$20,000.00. Hardship is of the Respondent's own making and is manageable given assets received in the division of assets and her earning abilities.

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