CASE NO. VOL. NO. PAGE

MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA - and - GERALD NEVES

Appellant Respondent

CA 173236 Halifax ROSCOE, J.A.

[Cite as: Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada v. Neves, 2002 NSCA 2]

APPEAL HEARD: January 8, 2002

JUDGMENT DELIVERED: January 9, 2002

SUBJECT: Disability Insurance: Interpretation of Policy

SUMMARY: The respondent was insured pursuant to a group policy issued

by the appellant, which provided among other benefits, that in the event of disability, he would be paid a monthly benefit equal to two-thirds of his monthly income, less amounts

received from other sources, such as Workers' Compensation and Canada Pension. The parties agreed that the respondent was disabled, and that he had received or was entitled to receive payments from Canada Pension and Workers' Compensation.

ISSUE: Whether the amounts received from the other sources were to

be deducted from the benefit payable pursuant to the policy on

a monthly basis or cumulatively?

RESULT: Appeal dismissed. The trial judge correctly interpreted the

policy and determined that the amounts received from Workers' Compensation and Canada Pension should be deducted on a

monthly basis, not cumulatively.

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