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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN DAMON COLE

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(Appellant) (Respondent)

CAC 159465 Halifax, N.S. BATEMAN, J.A.

[Cite as: R. v. Cole, 2000 NSCA 42]

APPEAL HEARD: January 31, 2000

JUDGMENT DELIVERED: March 24, 2000

SUBJECT: Costs against the Crown in a criminal proceeding.

SUMMARY: Accused successfully applied for a judicial stay of proceedings in a

criminal matter. On the motion, judge found that the Crown, in entering a stay or proceedings pursuant to s.579 **C.C.**, had abused the process of the court (s.7 **Charter**) and that the abuse was so egregious as to warrant a judicial stay. Judge ordered costs against

the Crown of \$12,000 on the successful stay motion.

ISSUES: Crown appeals the costs order only.

RESULT: Appeal allowed. In ordering costs the judge failed to apply proper

principles.

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