NOVA SCOTIA COURT OF APPEAL

Citation: Workers' Compensation Board of Nova Scotia v. Kaye, 2009 NSCA 123

Date: 20091204 Docket: CA 309638 Registry: Halifax

Between:

The Workers' Compensation Board of Nova Scotia

Appellant

v.

Workers' Compensation Appeals Tribunal, Attorney General of Nova Scotia and Martin Kaye

Respondents

Judge: The Honourable Justice Oland

Appeal Heard: November 25, 2009

Subject: Workers' Compensation Act, s. 228 - Chronic Pain Regulations, s. 9

Summary: The Workers' Compensation Board appealed the effective date of the

chronic pain benefits awarded to a worker. That date has been found on the evidence to be earlier than November 26, 1992 which is set out in s. 228, one of the *Act*'s transitional provisions which deals with injuries between March 23, 1990 and February 1, 1996 (the "window

period").

Issue: Does s. 228 of the *Act* limit the retroactive payment of chronic pain

benefits stemming from injury within the window period?

Result: Appeal dismissed. Section 228 has no application to payment of

chronic pain benefits for injuries during the window period. Nor is entitlement under s. 9 of the Regulations restricted to an effective

date of November 26, 1992.

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