## IN THE FAMILY COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

**Citation:** Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County v. T.C., 2006 NSFC 12

**Date:** 200603030

**Docket:** FAMCFSA-031011

**Registry:** Bridgewater

**Between:** 

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County

**Applicant** 

v.

T. M. C., D. M. G., and C. L. G.

Respondents

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**Judge**: The Honourable Judge William J. Dyer

**Heard:** January 23, 2006, in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia

January 24, 2006, in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia January 25, 2006, in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia February 6, 2006, in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia February 7, 2006, in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia February 8, 2006, in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia February 9, 2006, in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia February 20, 2006, in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia

Subject Review of Disposition, section 46, Children and Family Services Act (CFSA)

**Summary:** 

Lengthy and complex history of agency involvement and protracted legal proceedings flowing from concerns under CFSA sections 22(2)(b) and (g). Respondents included biological parents and paternal grandmother, each with Plans of Care. Children apprehended following consensual interim, protection and disposition hearings. Original assessments and updates recommended against placement with any of the Respondents. Services and supports over many months determined to be unsuccessful in alleviating underlying protection issues. On review, applied Catholic Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto v. M. (C.) [1994] 2 S.C.R. 165. Only options under section 42 of the CFSA (because of statutory maximum duration for disposition orders) were dismissal or permanent care and custody. Children found to be in need of protective services.

**Issue:** 

Whether two young children in an agency's temporary care and custody should be placed permanently with the agency or whether the matter should be dismissed, in circumstances where the total permissible duration of disposition orders has been exhausted.

**Result:** 

Both children placed in the permanent care and custody of the agency. No order for access. Fact specific.

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