

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

BETWEEN:

ALISON JOY COX

Applicant

-and-

DOUGLAS DILLON

Respondent

MEMORANDUM

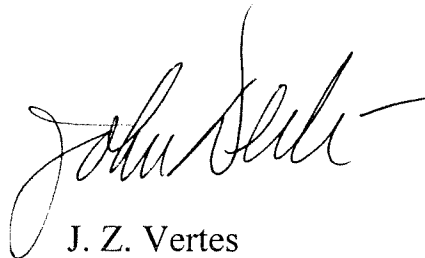
[1] This matter came before me in Chambers on March 10, 2000, as a confirmation proceeding pursuant to the Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Act, R.S.N.W.T. 1988, c. M-3. A provisional order for child support had been issued by the Court of Queen's Bench (Family Division) of Manitoba on March 15, 1999. The request for confirmation was received by the Legal Division of the territorial Department of Justice on November 15, 1999, and forwarded to the Clerk of the Supreme Court on December 3, 1999, for issuance of a summons.

[2] On March 10th, no one appeared in Chambers. Upon further investigation it was ascertained that the respondent was a serving prisoner. The matter was rescheduled to today's date and a removal order was issued to have the respondent brought in custody to the Court House.

[3] Upon attendance in Chambers, the respondent advised me that he is currently serving a four-month sentence; that his release date is May 26th; that he will likely be released earlier on a work-release programme; that he has applied to legal aid for the appointment of counsel to advise him in this matter; and, that he may contest paternity.

Of course there was no one on behalf of the applicant present (since the territorial Justice officials feel they have no further role to play in these matters).

[4] For these reasons, this matter has been adjourned until May 26, 2000, at 10:00 A.M. Either the respondent or his counsel (or both) are expected to be in attendance at that time. If the respondent is still in custody, he should notify the Clerk of the Court.



J. Z. Vertes  
J.S.C.

Dated at Yellowknife in the Northwest Territories  
this 24th day of March, 2000.

To: Douglas Dillon  
c/o Yellowknife Correctional Centre  
Yellowknife, NWT

Trish Marrai  
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