



ADVISORY: WEBCAST OF COURT PROCEEDING

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Members of the media and the public are advised that the following proceedings in the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal will be livestreamed on the Courts of Nova Scotia website on Wednesday, March 9, and Thursday, March 10, 2022:

CA-467145 - IN THE MATTER OF Section 3 of the Constitutional Questions Act, R.S.N.S. 1989, c. 89; AND IN THE MATTER OF a Reference by the Governor in Council concerning the constitutionality of the ss. 7-23 of the Public Services Sustainability (2015) Act, Chapter 34 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 2015, as set out in Order in Council 2017-254, dated October 4, 2017, and CUPE, CUPW, NSGEU, NSNU, NSTU, Service Employees' Int'l Union Local 2, Unifor, Int'l Union of Operating Engineers Local 727

On Aug. 22, 2017, the Attorney General of Nova Scotia filed a Reference to the Court of Appeal, pursuant to Section 3 of the *Constitutional Questions Act*. The Reference was amended on Oct. 13, 2017. The Amended Reference asks the Court to consider whether certain provisions of the *Public Services Sustainability (2015) Act* violate the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, specifically Section 2(d), which guarantees an individual's right to freedom of association.

The unions listed in the style of cause were added as Intervenors in this matter.

This proceeding is scheduled for two full days beginning at 10 a.m. AST on Wednesday, March 9. This matter will be heard by a three-member panel comprised of Chief Justice Michael Wood, Justice David Farrar, and Justice Carole Beaton.

The panel of judges and counsel will appear in person in Courtroom 502 at the Law Courts for these proceedings. All court participants are reminded to review the Court of Appeal's [Practice Directive for Appeal Proceedings during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#).

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