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Your file: reference claimant #100367

Re: Hepatitis C. Reference re Estate of Lois Jean Hamilton

The Hon. R.S. Montgomery, Q.C.

Our file: #HC038 RSM

Please find enclosed Decision as to Costs dated December 17, 2003.

Yours sincerely,

RS Mentzoury/we The Hon. Robert S. Montgomery, Q.C.

RSM/mc Encl.

IN THE MATTER OF A REFERENCE TO REVIEW THE DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATOR UNDER THE HCV 1986-1990 TRANSFUSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

CLAIM #1000367 FROM THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

-AND-

THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE HEPATITIS C CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

COUNSEL:

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DECISION AS TO COSTS

As a referee under the Hepatitis C settlement, my sole jurisdiction arises from, and is limited by, the Settlement Agreement.

Appendix C to the Transfused HCV Plan sets out the powers of the referee and specifically deals with costs:

1. Powers of Referee

A Referee will have the power:

(g) ... to award costs, in accordance with a tariff to be established by the Courts.

A referee or arbitrator has no jurisdiction to make an award beyond the amount stated in the tariff. The maximum allowed by the tariff is \$1,700. I, therefore, allow fees of \$1,700.

There is no jurisdiction to allow for travelling expenses to visit the office of the Administrator. I allow \$200 for hearing-related expense.

Dated at Toronto, this 17th day of December 2003.

The Honourable Robert S. Montgomery Q.C.

Referee