Court File No.: T-2225-12\_

# **FEDERAL COURT**

## SIMPLIFIED ACTION

BETWEEN:

# **EDGAR SCHMIDT**

**Plaintiff** 

- and -

## ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CANADA

Defendant

# AFFIDAVIT OF NAOMI GREY SWORN APRIL 29, 2015

- I, Naomi Grey, of the City of Toronto, in Ontario, swear that:
- 1. I am the daughter of the plaintiff in this proceeding.
- In April of 2012, I made an access-to-information request of the Department of Justice Canada, using wording for the request that the plaintiff provided to me.
- Attached to this affidavit as Exhibit A is the first letter provided in response to my request. That response itself also sets out my request.
- Attached to this affidavit as Exhibit B is the second and final letter provided to me in response to my request.

5. Attached to this affidavit as Exhibit C is the CD-ROM provided together with Exhibit B.

6. I described the information I had received in response to the request in a telephone conversation with the plaintiff shortly after I received it and soon after he saw the response for himself when he visited us in Toronto.

7. I then put the exhibits away and did not consult them until the plaintiff recently asked me to look for them. I found them around April 13 of this year and promptly called the plaintiff. He asked me to scan the letters and provide the scans to him and copy the CD and provide that to him also. I did this on or about April 18.

8. No information other than what is in the Exhibits to this affidavit was provided in response to my request.

Sworn before me at the City of Toronto, in Ontario, on April 29, 2015

Naomi Grey

REGISTRY OFFICER AGENT DU GREFFE

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Ministère de la Justice Canada

Access to Information and Privacy Coordinator 275 Sparks Street, 9th Floor Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8 Telephone: (613) 952-8361 Facsimile: (613) 957-2303

**PROTECTED B** 

Our file: A-2012-00157 / SH

Toronto, Ontario M6C 2M3

May 3, 2012

This is Exhibit " Treferred to in the affidavit of NAOW I GLA

sworn before me in

on the 27 day of

Commissioner of oaths

MICHELLE GAUVIN REGISTRY OFFICER AGENT DU GREFFE

Dear Ms. Grey:

Ms. Naomi Grey 198A Vaughan Rd.

This is to acknowledge that your request of April 15, 2012, and application fees were received in this Office on April 26, 2012. Further to your discussion with Stefany Hollingsworth of my office, your point #2 under Note has been amended as follows to obtain, pursuant to the Access to Information Act (the Act):

"Documents that set out the current practice or policy of the Department of Justice in carrying out its duties to support — or act in the name of — the Minister or Deputy Minister under any of the following three legislative provisions:

- Section 3 of the Canadian Bill of Rights
- Section 4.1 of the Department of Justice Act
- Subsections 3(2) and (3) of the Statutory Instruments Act

#### Note:

- 1. I am not looking for many documents, the key ones that are intended to guide members of the department in these duties are sufficient, even if the same information is referred to or repeated elsewhere. Therefore no exhaustive search is being asked for. It should be easy to locate the key documents and to provide those.
- 2. I am not looking for any cabinet confidences, just statements of work-guiding policy or practice.
- 3. That being said, I am looking to you to distinguish between legal position (not subject to solicitor-client privilege) and legal advice (maybe subject to solicitor-client privilege). If a key document contains both legal advice and statements of legal position or understanding, I expect you to separate out the legal advice and to provide to me the remainder of the document.
- 4. I want particularly the documents that provide guidance in carrying out these statutory responsibilities to any unit of the department that deals especially with human rights and, if applicable, similar documents for the units that write legislation.
- 5. In particular, the department must of necessity adopt a working or administrative interpretation of what these legislative provisions require of the Minister, the Deputy Minister (and by implication of the department when acting in support of or in the name of these officials). What I want will include the key statements of what the department understands these provisions to require by way of examination and reporting.
- 6. I would much prefer receiving the documents in digital form.

What I would also like, but these need not come at the same time:

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Any non-current versions of those same documents that were applicable after 1990 and before 2000."

We are undertaking the necessary search of our records and will contact you again in due course regarding this request.

In general terms, please be aware that in addition to the application fees, there are two other types of fees:

1) photocopying fees and 2) search and preparation fees after the first five hours. The right to charge these fees arises out of section 11 of the *Act*. The specific amount of the fees is set by paragraph 7 of the *Act* Regulations (the Regulations) which states the following:

Subject to subsection 11(6) of the *Act*, a person who makes a request for access to a record shall pay (a) an application fee of \$5.00 at the time the request is made; (b) where applicable, a fee for reproduction of the record or part thereof to be calculated in the following manner: (i) for photocopying a page with dimensions of not more than 21.5 cm by 35 cm, \$0.20 per page.

Finally, subsection 11(2) of the *Act* states that, for every hour in excess of five hours that is reasonably required to search for the record or prepare any part of it for disclosure, payment of an amount set by the Regulations may be charged.

Should there be any additional fees, we will let you know the amount and what it covers.

If you have any questions concerning the processing of your request, do not hesitate to contact Stefany Hollingsworth at 613-941-9922.

Please be advised that you are entitled to complain to the Information Commissioner concerning the processing of your request within sixty days of the receipt of this notice. In the event you decide to avail yourself of this right, your notice of complaint should be addressed to:

Office of the Information Commissioner
Tower B, Place de Ville
112 Kent Street, 7th Floor
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 1H3

Sincerely,

Ornella Kennedy Francine Farley Coordinator Ministère de la Justice Canada

Access to Information and Privacy Coordinator 275 Sparks Street, 9th Floor Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8 Telephone: (613) 952-8361 Facsimile: (613) 957-2303

## PROTECTED B

Our file: A-2012-00157 / SH

June 21, 2012

Ms. Naomi Grey 198A Vaughan Rd. Toronto, Ontario M6C 2M3

Dear Ms. Grey:

This is Exhibit "B" referred to in the affidavit of NACMI GREY sworn before me in TOR on the 25 day of APR 20 15

MCHELLE GAUVIN REGISTRY OFFICER AGENT DU GREFFE

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I am pleased to enclose the releasable documents relevant to your request (888 of 2,697 pages). You will notice that information is exempt from release by virtue of sections 23 [solicitor-client privilege information] and 68(a) [published material] of the *Access to Information Act*. Furthermore, please note that other versions of the Manual (available in both official languages) are also available on the following website: <a href="http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/dept-min/pub/legis/rm-mr/">http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/dept-min/pub/legis/rm-mr/</a>.

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Sincerely,

Francisco Fally
Francisco Farley

Coordinator

Encl.

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MICHELLE GAUVIN REGISTRY OFFICER AGENT DU GREFFE