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IN THE MATTER OF THE SAWRIDGE BAND INTER VIVOS SETTLEMENT CREATED BY CHIEF WALTER PATRICK TWINN, OF THE SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND, NO 19 now known as SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION ON APRIL 15, 1985 (the "1985 Sawridge Trust")

APPLICANTS:

ROLAND TWINN, CATHERINE TWINN, WALTER FELIX TWIN, BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE and CLARA MIDBO, as Trustees for the 1985 Sawridge Trust (the "Sawridge Trustees")

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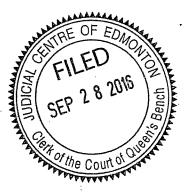
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AFFIDAVIT OF ROLAND TWINN

Sworn on September <u>AL</u>, 2016

I, ROLAND TWINN, of the Sawridge Indian Reserve 150G, in the Province of Alberta, MAKE OATH AND SAY THAT:

Clerk's Stamp



 I have been a member of the Sawridge First Nation ("Sawridge") since my birth in 1965, I was a Councillor of Sawridge from 1997 to 2003, and I have been the Chief of Sawridge since 2003, as such I have personal knowledge of the matters set out in this affidavit except where stated to be based upon information and belief, in which case I do verily believe the same to be true.

Purpose of this Affidavit

- 2. I swear this affidavit in support of an application for Order granting Sawridge status to intervene in the application filed in this action on August 12, 2016 by Maurice Stoney and his living brothers and sisters (the "Stoney Application"), pursuant to Rule 2.10 of the *Alberta Rules of Court*, Alta Reg 124/2010;
- 3. I further swear this affidavit in support of an application for the following Orders, if Sawridge is granted status to intervene in the Stoney Application:
 - a. an Order striking some or all of the Stoney Application, pursuant to Rule 3.68 of the *Alberta Rules of Court*, Alta Reg 124/2010;
 - b. an Order dismissing the Stoney Application; and
 - c. an Order that the Stoney Applicants pay Sawridge costs on a solcitior and his own client basis or, alternatively, enhanced costs, forthwith upon dismissal of the Stoney Application, pursuant to Rules 10.29, 10.30, 10.31 and 10.33 of the *Alberta Rules of Court*, Alta Reg 124/2010.

History of Membership Disputes Between Maurice Stoney and Sawridge

- 4. Maurice Stoney is the son of William Stoney, who is Johnny Stoney's son. Johnny Stoney is a former member of Sawridge who is deceased.
- 5. William Stoney voluntarily gave up his Indian status and was enfranchised by Order in Council P.C. 40/6000 on August 1, 1944 under section 114 of the *Indian Act* (Canada). As a result, his wife and two sons (Maurice Stoney, born September 24, 1941 and Alvin Stoney, born May 7, 1943) were also enfranchised and ceased to be members of Sawridge, on August 1, 1944.
- 6. On April 17, 1985, the Federal Government enacted Bill C-31, which gave Maurice Stoney the right to have his Indian status restored, but did not give him anything more than the right to apply for membership in Sawridge pursuant to Sawridge's membership rules. Bill C-31 only provided for an automatic right to membership in select situations, none of which applied to Maurice Stoney, as determined by the Federal Court of Appeal and discussed at paragraph 13, below.
- 7. On July 8, 1985, Sawridge assumed control of membership in Sawridge in accordance with its membership rules, pursuant to section 10 of the *Indian Act*, RSC, 1985, C I-5.

- 8. In 1995, Maurice Stoney, along with his cousins, Aline Huzar and June Kolosky, and others, commenced an action in Federal Court against Sawridge (Action No. T-1529-95) seeking damages for lost benefits, economic losses, and the "arrogant and high-handed manner in which [Sawridge Chief and Council] has deliberately, and without cause, denied [them] reinstatement as Band Members".
- 9. Within that action, Maurice Stoney and the others also sought a court order that their names be added to the Sawridge membership list on the basis that they each had an automatic right of membership in Sawridge.
- 10. Maurice Stoney was represented by legal counsel during those court proceedings.
- 11. During those proceedings, Maurice Stoney and the others brought an application seeking to amend their Statement of Claim to add a claim for the following relief: "a declaration that the Band rules are discriminatory and exclusionary, and hence invalid."
- 12. The Motions Judge allowed the amendment, but Sawridge appealed the matter to the Federal Court of Appeal.
- 13. On June 13, 2000, the Federal Court of Appeal overturned the Motions Judge and concluded that the declaratory relief could only be sought against Sawridge on an application for judicial review. The Federal Court of Appeal also commented that these individuals, including Maurice Stoney, did not have an automatic right to membership but had only, at most, a right to apply to Sawridge for membership in accordance with the membership rules. Attached hereto and marked as **Exhibit "1**" to this my affidavit is a copy of the Federal Court of Appeal's June 13, 2000 decision.
- 14. The Federal Court of Appeal ordered that these individuals, including Maurice Stoney, pay costs to Sawridge.
- 15. Sawridge did not then receive a completed membership application form from Maurice Stoney until August 30, 2011.
- 16. On or about December 7, 2011, Sawridge Chief and Council denied Maurice Stoney's membership application. Maurice Stoney subsequently appealed that decision.
- 17. On April 21, 2012, the Appeal Committee of Sawridge convened to hear Maurice Stoney's appeal, and he was represented by legal counsel. The Appeal Committee dismissed his appeal.
- On May 11, 2012, represented by legal counsel, Maurice Stoney filed an application for judicial review of the Appeal Committee's decision in Federal Court, being Action T-923-12.
- 19. On June 26, 2012, I swore an affidavit in opposition to Maurice Stoney's judicial review application, being Federal Court No. T-923-12. Attached hereto and marked as **Exhibit**

"2" to this my affidavit, is a true copy of my June 26, 2012 affidavit with exhibits, the contents of which I confirm remain true.

- 20. On March 5, 2013 Justice Barnes heard Maurice Stoney's judicial review application.
- 21. On May 15, 2013, Justice Barnes issued his Reasons for Judgment and Judgment. He dismissed Maurice Stoney's applications for judicial review and upheld the decision of the Sawridge Appeal Committee denying him membership in Sawridge. A copy of Justice Barnes' Reasons for Judgment is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "3" to this my affidavit.
- 22. Justice Barnes ordered that Maurice Stoney pay costs to Sawridge for the judicial review application. This cost award, which was subsequently assessed at \$2,995.65 by the Federal Court Assessment Officer on October 24 2014, remains unpaid despite requests for payment of same by our counsel, Parlee McLaws LLP. Attached hereto and marked as **Exhibit "4"** to this my affidavit are a true copies of our counsel's correspondence and the Certificate of Assessment.
- 23. Maurice Stoney did not appeal the Reasons for Judgment and Judgment of Justice Barnes to the Federal Court of Appeal.
- 24. Subsequently, on January 31, 2014, Mr. Stoney filed a complaint with the Canadian Human Right Commission relating to Sawridge's denial of his membership and alleging that Sawridge's membership rules and application process were discriminatory. Sawridge responded to the complaint.
- 25. On April 15, 2015, the Deputy Chief Commissioner, on behalf of the Canadian Human Rights Commission, issued a decision refusing to deal with Maurice Stoney's complaint, because the matters at issue, namely the denial of Maurice Stoney's membership in Sawridge, had already been addressed as part of the aforementioned Federal Court proceedings. Attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "5" to this my affidavit is a true copy of the Deputy Chief Commissioner's decision.
- 26. Maurice Stoney is not a member of Sawridge, and this fact has been adjudicated and confirmed by the Federal Court.

Unpaid Costs Awards of Maurice Stoney

- 27. As indicated, costs awards in favour of Sawridge were made against Maurice Stoney in the two previous Federal Court Actions.
- 28. In addition, on February 26, 2016, the Court of Appeal dismissed Mr. Stoney's application seeking an extension of time to file an appeal of Justice Thomas' Order of December 17, 2015. Sawridge, as a respondent to that particular application was awarded costs by the Court of Appeal. The Assessment Officer subsequently approved Sawridge's Bill of Costs in the amount \$898.70 on June 14, 2016. Attached hereto and marked as

Exhibit "6" to this my affidavit is at true copy of the Bill of Costs as accepted by the Assessment Officer.

29. As at the date of my swearing of this affidavit, Maurice Stoney has not paid any of the aforementioned costs awards made in favour of Sawridge.

The Other Stoney Applicants

- 30. Maurice Stoney's siblings also are not members of Sawridge as asserted in the Stoney Application.
- 31. To the best of my knowledge, William Stoney had only two children at the date of his enfranchisement on August 1, 1944, as listed on his application for enfranchisement: Alvin Stoney, and Maurice Stoney.
- 32. To the best of my knowledge, all of William Stoney's subsequent children were born after his enfranchisement and have therefore never been members of Sawridge.
- 33. A William C. Stoney applied for membership in Sawridge, on December 6, 2004. Sawridge denied his membership on January 14, 2009, and he did not appeal. William C. Stoney subsequently reapplied for membership in Sawridge on January 25, 2011. On November 22, 2011, Sawridge sent him a letter advising that he had already applied and been denied membership.
- 34. Sawridge provided Bernie Stoney with a membership application form on November 17, 2004. Sawridge has never received a completed membership application form from Bernie Stoney.
- 35. Sawridge provided Gail Stoney with a membership application forms on April 3, 2012 and July 19, 2012. Sawridge has never received a completed membership application form from Gail Stoney.
- 36. Sawridge has no records of any requests for a membership application form from Linda Stoney, Angeline Stoney, Betty Jean Stoney, Alma Stoney, Alva Stoney, or Bryan Stoney. Sawridge has never received a completed membership application form from any of these six persons.

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SWORN BEFORE ME at the Town of Slave Lake, in the Province of Alberta, this 21^{507} day of September, 2016.

A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta

MICHAEL R. MCKINNEY Q.C. **BARRISTER & SOLICITOR**

ROLAND TWINN

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BETWEEN:

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Sworn before me this 215 day
or september A.D. 2016
A Notary Public, A Commissioner for Oaths
in and for the Province of Alberta IFY Q.C.

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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN, IN RIGHT OF CANADA, DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS CANADA and WALTER PATRICK TWINN, as Chief of the Sawridge Indian Band and the SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND

Defendants

(Appellants)

- and -

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Plaintiffs

(Respondents)

Heard at Toronto, Ontario, Tuesday, June 13, 2000

Judgment delivered from the Bench at Toronto, Ontario

on Tuesday, June 13, 2000

REASONS FOR JUDGMENT OF THE COURT BY: EVANS, J.A.

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REASONS FOR JUDGMENT

(Delivered from the Bench at Toronto, Ontario

on Tuesday, June 13, 2000)

EVANS J.A.

[1] This is an appeal against an order of the Trial Division, dated May 6th, 1998, in which the learned Motions Judge granted the respondents" motion to amend their statement of claim by adding paragraphs 38 and 39, and dismissed the motion of the appellants, Walter Patrick Twinn, as Chief of the Sawridge Indian Band, and the Sawridge Indian Band, to strike the statement of claim as disclosing no reasonable cause of action.

[2] In our respectful opinion, the Motions Judge erred in law in permitting the respondents to amend and in not striking out the unamended statement of claim. The paragraphs amending the statement of claim allege that the Sawridge Indian Band rejected the respondents" membership applications by misapplying the Band membership rules (paragraph 38), and claim a declaration that the Band rules are discriminatory and exclusionary, and hence invalid (paragraph 39).

[3] These paragraphs amount to a claim for declaratory or prerogative relief against the Band, which is a federal board, commission or other tribunal within the definition provided by section 2 of the *Federal Court Act*. By virtue of subsection 18(3) of that Act, declaratory or prerogative relief may only be sought against a federal board, commission or other tribunal on an application for judicial review under section 18.1. The claims contained in paragraphs 38 and 39 cannot therefore be included in a statement of claim.

[4] It was conceded by counsel for the respondents that, without the proposed amending paragraphs, the unamended statement of claim discloses no reasonable cause of action in so far as it asserts or assumes that the respondents are entitled to Band membership without the consent of the Band.

[5] It is clear that, until the Band"s membership rules are found to be invalid, they govern membership of the Band and that the respondents have, at best, a right to apply to the Band for membership. Accordingly, the statement of claim against the appellants, Walter Patrick Twinn, as Chief of the Sawridge Indian Band, and the Sawridge Indian Band, will be struck as disclosing no reasonable cause of action.

[6] For these reasons, the appeal will be allowed with costs in this Court and in the Trial Division.

"John M. Evans"

J.A.

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Mr. Peter V. Abrametz

For the Plaintiffs

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A Notary Public, A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta MICHAEL R. McKINNEY Q.C.
BARRISTER & SOLICITOR

Maurice Felix Stoney

Applicant

- and -

Sawridge First Nation

Respondent

AFFIDAVIT

I, ROLAND TWINN of the Sawridge Indian Reserve 150G, in the Province of Alberta, businessman, MAKE OATH AND SAY:

- 1. I have been a member of the Sawridge First Nation since my birth in 1965 and the Chief of the Sawridge First Nation since 2003, as such I have personal knowledge of the matters set out in this affidavit except where stated to be on information and belief.
- 2. Sawridge First Nation assumed control over its own membership under section 10 of the *Indian Act* on July 8, 1985, the day its membership rules, supporting documentation and by-laws No, 103, 104, 105 and 106 were handed to the Deputy Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs who accepted them on behalf of the Minister. Attached and marked as **Exhibit "A"** to this my affidavit is a copy of a letter dated July 9, 1985 from Gowling & Henderson to the Deputy Minister confirming delivery of the Sawridge First Nation membership rules to the Minister on July 8, 1985 along with notice that Sawridge First Nation was assuming control of its own membership.
- Sawridge First Nation did not receive a completed membership application form from Maurice Stoney until it received Maurice Stoney's membership application dated August 30, 2011.

- 4. When Chief and Council considered Maurice Stoney's membership application it had before it:
 - A copy of Maurice Stoney's Application Form dated August 30, 2011 . attached and marked as Exhibit "B" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of the Amended Statement of Claim in Federal Court No. T-1529-95 attached and marked as Exhibit "C" to this my affidavit;
 - The June 13, 2000 Reasons for Judgment of the Federal Court of Appeal in Appeal No. A-326-98, a copy of which Reasons for Judgment is attached as Exhibit "D" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of a May 12, 1944 letter from P. Demers attached and marked as Exhibit "E" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of a 1910 paylist attached and marked as Exhibit "F" to this my affidavit:
 - A copy of a Fifth Estate Transcript attached and marked as Exhibit "G" to this my affidavit;.
 - A copy of a June 1, 1993 letter from Maurice Stoney attached and marked as Exhibit "H" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of a June 16, 1993 Lakeside Leader Article attached and marked as Exhibit "I" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of a June 21, 1993 Scope Article attached and marked as Exhibit "j" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of a June 13, 1993 Edmonton Journal Article attached and marked as Exhibit "K" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of a June 21, 1993 Alberta Report Article attached and marked as Exhibit "L" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of an August 18, 1993 Lakeside Leader Article attached and marked as **Exhibit** "M" to this my affidavit;
 - A copy of an August 12, 1993 Protest Handout attached and marked as Exhibit "N" to this my affidavit;

- A copy of a February 29, 2000 letter from Maurice Stoney attached and marked as **Exhibit "O"** to this my affidavit;
- A copy of an October 18, 2000 KCFN Declaration attached and marked as Exhibit "P" to this my affidavit;
- A copy of an April 4, 2001 letter from Maurice Stoney attached and marked as **Exhibit "Q"** to this my affidavit; and
- A copy of a March 21, 2001 letter from Maurice Stoney attached and marked as **Exhibit "R"** to this my affidavit.
- 5. After considering the membership application of Maurice Stoney, Chief and Council decided that he did not have a specific right to have his name entered on the membership list of the Sawridge First Nation and decided not to exercise its discretion under the Sawridge First Nation membership rules to enter his name on the membership list of the Sawridge First Nation. Attached and marked as Exhibit "S" to this my affidavit is a Membership Processing Form for Maurice Felix Stoney prepared after Chief and Council made its decision on his membership application that sets out a "Summary of First Nation Councils Judgment" that was approved by Chief and Council. Chief and Council's decision on his membership application was then communicated to Maurice Stoney on or about December 7, 2011 by registered letter.
- 6. In a letter dated December 22, 2011 from lawyers in Peace River, Alberta, received by fax by Sawridge First Nation on December 22, 2011 Sawridge was told that three unsuccessful applicants for membership were appealing the Chief and Council's decisions. Attached and marked as Exhibit "T" to this my affidavit is a copy of that December 22, 2011 letter with attached letter from Maurice Stoney dated December 19, 2011, attached letter from June Kolosy dated December 20, 2011 and with attached letter from Aline Huzar dated December 19, 2011.
- 7. The hearing of the applicant's appeal was originally scheduled for February 25, 2012 but, at the request of the applicant was rescheduled for April 21, 2012. In advance, by letter dated March 23, 2012 from Sawridge First Nation's lawyer to the Edmonton lawyer for

the applicant, the applicant's lawyer was provided with a copy of the Record in relation to each applicant, in particular Exhibits "B" through "T" and also a copy of the Appeal Procedure. Attached and marked as **Exhibits** "U" and "V" to this my affidavit are copies of the March 23, 2012 letter and the Appeal Procedure.

- On April 21, 2012 the Appeal Committee of the Sawridge First Nation convened to hear the applicant" appeal.
- 9. The Appeal Committee is, under sections 12 and 13 of the membership rules (see Exhibit I to the Stoney Affidavit), the electors of the Sawridge First Nation who attend the meeting convened to hear an appeal. Twenty-two electors attended the April 21, 2012 meeting. I was one of them.
- 10. A motion was made to accept proxy votes from electors of the Sawridge First Nation who were not in attendance. That motion was rejected by the Chair of the Appeal Committee as being contrary to the intent of section 13 of the membership rules and section 7 of the Appeal Procedure.
- 11. After accepting written submissions and hearing oral submissions from the applicants' lawyer and after questioning the applicants' lawyer the Appeal Committee met in camera. Sawridge First Nation's lawyers were not included in the in camera meeting.
- 12. Attached and marked as **Exhibit** "W" to this my affidavit is copy of the written submissions of the applicant before the Appeal Committee.
- The Appeal Committee met in camera for approximately 3 hours, from about 2:00 P.M. to about 5:00 P.M.
- 14. Along with Exhibits "B" "T" the Appeal Committee also had before it in its in camera meeting a legible copy of Exhibit "I". Attached and marked as Exhibit "X" to this my affidavit is a copy of that legible copy..

- 15. On or about 5:00 P.M. on April 21, 2012 the Appeal Committee came out of its in camera meeting and dismissed the appeals. Attached and marked as Exhibit "Y" to this my affidavit is a copy of the Appeal Committee's decision.
- 16. To my knowledge, from discussions with Elders and review of historical documents over the years, I believe that there has never been a "Lesser Slave Lake Band". There were, instead, several bands located at various points along the shores of the Lesser Slave Lake and that, in 1899, the headmen of those bands appointed Kinosayoo as a spokesman to speak on their behalf as he had the best grasp of the English language. The headman of the Sawridge band was Charles Neesotasis. Charles Neesotasis signed Treaty #8 in 1899 on behalf of the ancestors of the Sawridge First Nation.
- 17. As set out in the applicant's documents and paragraph 4 of the Stoney Affidavit, Johnny Stoney was a member of the Alexander Band, a band near Edmonton, until his transfer to the Sawridge First Nation on September 14, 1910.
- 18. Johnny Stoney's son William Stoney was, according to the applicant's documents, born in 1921 when his father was a member of the Sawridge First Nation but, in 1944 William was voluntarily enfranchised along with his wife and his two minor sons, Melvin and Maurice and, effective August 1, 1944, the family voluntarily gave up their Indian status and their membership in Sawridge First Nation.
- Contrary to paragraph 7 of the Stoney Affidavit, Sawridge has no knowledge of any involvement of Maurice Stoney in the Sawridge First Nation at any time.

20. I make this affidavit in opposition to the judicial review application brought by Maurice Stoney.

SWORN BEFORE ME at $\frac{f_{1}}{f_{1}}$ $\frac{f_{2}}{f_{2}}$ $\frac{f_{2}}{$) A COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS IN AND) ROLAND TWINN FOR THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

DONNA BROWN A Commissioner for Oaths In and for The Province of Alberta My Appointment Expires December 30, ______

Gowling & Henderson

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> > 9 July 1985

HENRY S BROWN

BY COURIER

Mr. Bruce Rawson Deputy Minister of the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Les Terrasses de la Chaudière Room 2101 10 Wellington Street Hull, Quebec K1A 0H4

Dear Mr. Rawson:

2 FIRST CANADIAN PLACE

TORONTO, CANADA

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102 BLOOR STREET WEST

TORONTO, CANADA

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Re: Sawridge Indian Band

This will confirm that I met with you and the Executive Director of the Sawridge Indian Band, Bruce Thom, at your offices at Hull, Quebec on July 8, 1985, at which time Mr. Thom provided to you and you accepted on behalf of the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs the membership code of the Sawridge Indian Band and supporting documentation, together with copies of the Residency By-law (No. 103), and By-laws 104, 105, and 106 of the Sawridge Indian Band.

This will confirm as well our request at that time that the Sawridge Indian Band be advised as expeditiously as possible whether the membership code, Residency by-law or the other three by-laws are acceptable to the Minister.

This will also confirm our conversation with Mr. Smith, the Registrar under the Indian Act to the effect that no names had been added to the Band List of the Sawridge Indian Band as a consequence of the enactment of Bill C-31 as of the time of that meeting and delivery of the membership codes to you as the Minister's authorized representative in that connection.

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Gowling & Henderson

Mr. Bruce Rawson 9 July 1985

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Thank you for receiving us. I look forward to having your response.

Yours very truly,

Henry S. Brown

HSB:dm

c.c. Chief Walter Twinn v'



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The answers in this membership questionnaire will be kept confidential and shall be disclosed only to those persons involved in the membership determination process as well as appropriate Band employees and advisors unless otherwise necessary in respect of a membership matter before the courts.

This questionnaire has been created to assist the Band Council in assessing applicants who are seeking or surrendering membership in the Band. The data provided will also assist the Band in the planning, including programs and services, required to accommodate members.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Please print or type. 1.
- 2.
- Please answer all questions, or indicate why no answer is provided. If more space is required to fully answer a question, please attach additional sheets and indicate which 3.
- question it applies to.
- 4. Please attach a current colour passport photo of yourself.
- 5. Please attach supporting documents as indicated.
- 6. Please attach a copy of your treaty "status" card.
- 7. This application may be followed by an interview. Additional questions may be asked at the interview.

1. APPLICATION FOR (CHECK ONE)
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE BAND BY NON-MEMBER
APPLICATION BY MEMBER TO SURRENDER MEMBERSHIP IN THE BAND
2. IDENTIFICATION
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B. ADDRESS
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C. PHONE NUMBERS HOME 786 849 5193 WORK
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1. YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER 47540-147
J. WHAT IS YOUR HEIGHT $5^{+}11^{0}$ K. WHAT IS YOUR WEIGHT $14c -tb$
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CERTIFICATION

I certify that all of the information provided in this application is complete and true. I understand that if any of the information provided is found to be false or misleading then this shall be sufficient grounds for the denial of my application, or if the application has been approved then it shall be sufficient grounds for the reversal of my application at the option of the Band at any time in the future. Such denial or reversal shall be final; there shall be no right of appeal and no right to reapply after any such denial or reversal. I hereby authorize Sawridge Indian Band to obtain any and all factual information regarding me from other persons, organizations, institutions, or government agencies. I hereby authorize any person, organization, institution, or government agency who has any information regarding me to release that information regarding me in confidence to the Sawridge Indian Band.

Dated at Alto SLAVE LAKE _____, this <u>____</u> day of <u>_____</u> _, 20____.

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Stoney MAURICES Applicant

Applicant Signature

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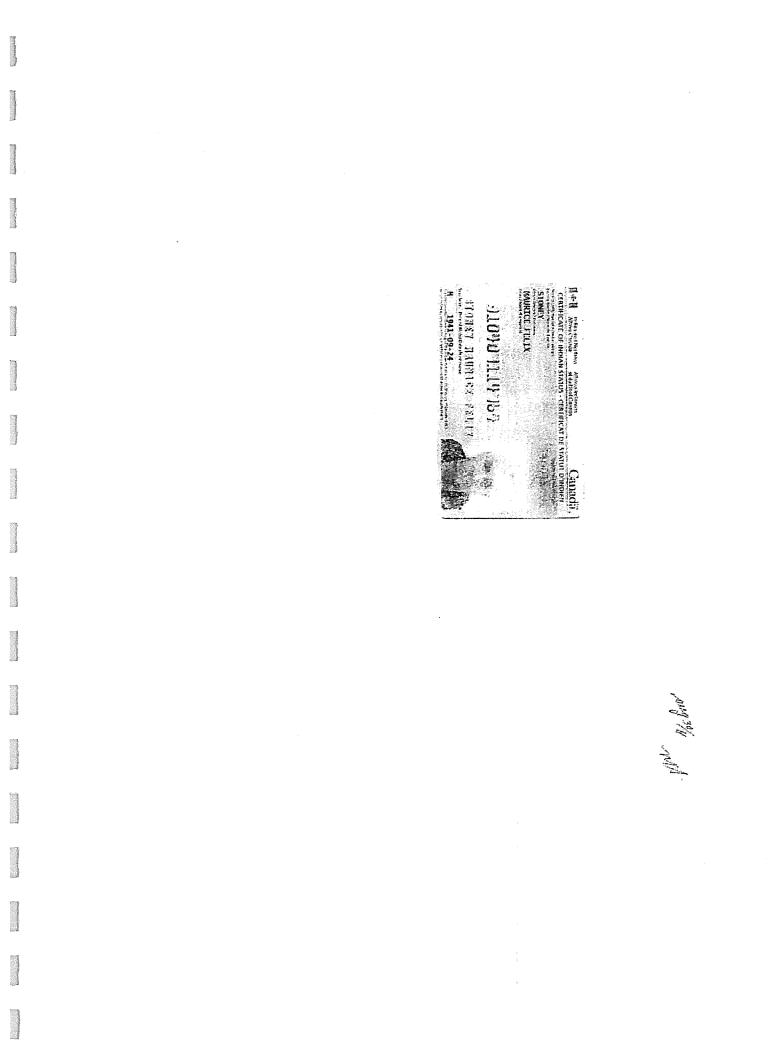
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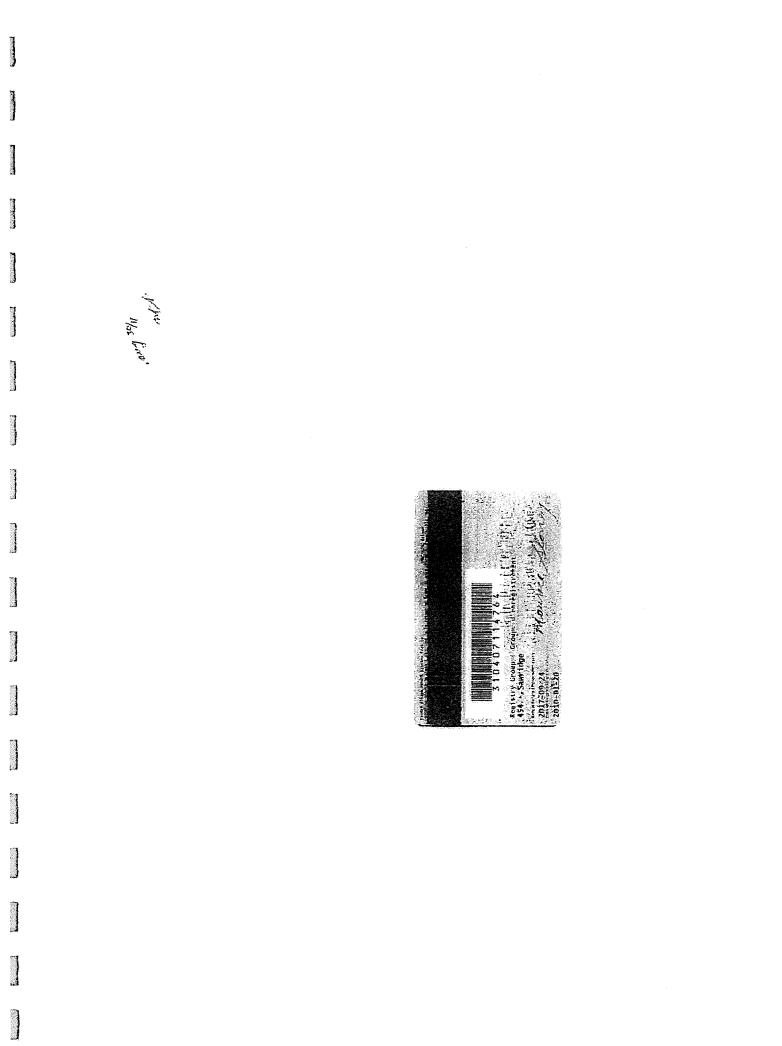
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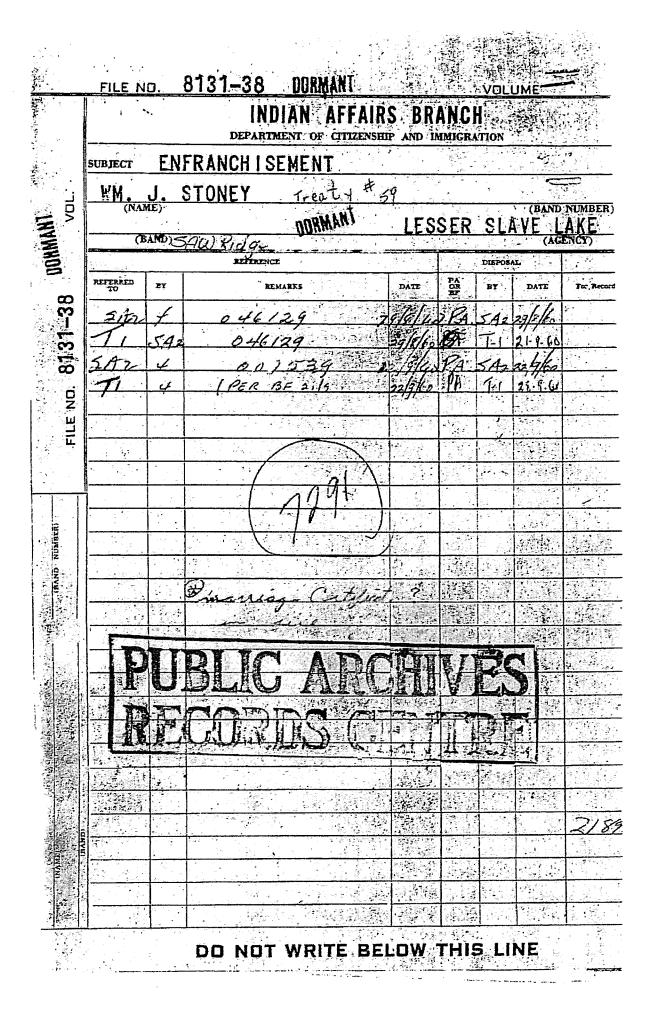
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Ottawa, April 29, 1944.

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P. J. Demers, Esq., Indian Agent, Driftpile, Alberta.

The enfranchisement documents completed by Williem J. Stoney of the Slave Lake Band have been received.

In order that we may reach a decision on his application, we must have a further report from you indicating if Stoney is the owner of any land or improvements on the Reserve and also if he has resided off the Reserve for a period of at least one year and demonstrated during that time that he is capable of supporting his family in a white community.

J. Klim Superintendent, Reserves and Trusts.

ERTIFICATE AS TO FITNESS FOR ENFRANCHISEMENT

(Note.-This Certificate must be given by a Clergyman, Justice of the Peace or other well known and responsible person.)

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2. That I have known Williem Stoney an Indian of the Sawridge Reserve in the Province of

Alberta

for at least five years;

3. That during the said time I have personally known him, or her, to be a person of good moral character, temperate in habits and of sufficient intelligence to be qualified to exercise all the rights and privileges of citizenship, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, self-supporting;

4. That my opportunities for knowing the said William Stoney have been as follows: (State what business, social or other relations you have had with the said person to enable you to give this cortificate.)

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A Commissioner for taking Affidavits, or other person authorized to take the Affidavit.

Form No. 311.

RELEASE AND SURRENDER

By an Indian belonging to a Band having funds at its credit

(FOR ENFRANCHISEMENT UNDER SECTION 114 OF THE INDIAN ACT BEING CHAPTER 98, R.S.C., 1927)

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MY WIFE

Margaret Stoney

(OTHER SIDE)

Band #

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Ottawa, August 24, 1944.

P. J. Demers, Esq., Indian Agent, Driftpile, Alberta.

With reference to the application of William J. Stoney of the Sawridge Band of Indians for enfranchisement, I wish to inform you that by Order in Council dated August 1, 1944, this man was declared enfranchised in pursuance of the provisions of Section 114 of the Indian Act.

Under separate cover you will receive chaque for the sum of \$777.08, psyable to William J. Stoney, being his share of the band funds which you will be good enough to forward to him together with certified copy of the Order in Council above referred to and enfranchisement card, which are herewith enclosed. You should advise Stoney to sign the cord.

Please remove the nemes of this man and his wife and minor children from the membership and pay lists of the Band.

D. J. Allen, Superintendent, Reserves and Trusts.

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Ottawa, August 10, 1945.

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N. P. L'Heureux, Esq., Indian Agent, Driftpile, Alberta.

An application for enfranchisement has been received from William J. Stoney, No. 59 of the Sawridge Band of Indians, presently residing in Slave Lake, Alberta.

If you consider this man possesses the necessary qualifications for release from band membership, please have the enclosed documents completed and return them to this Branch with your report and recommendation.

D. J. Allen, Superintendent, Reserves and Trusts.

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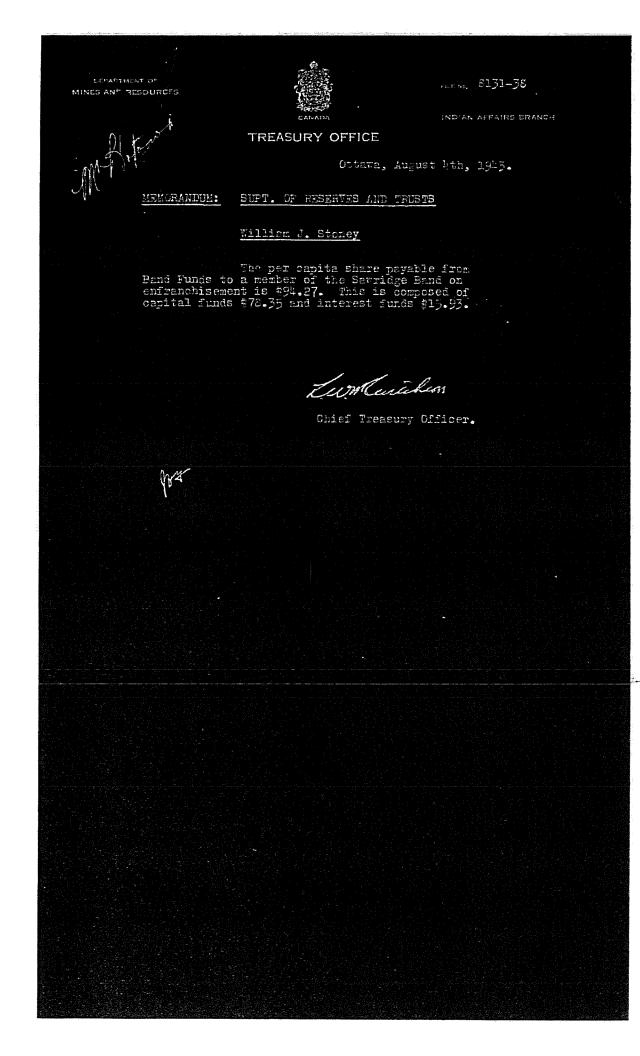
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The applicant is married and has two minor, unmarried children.

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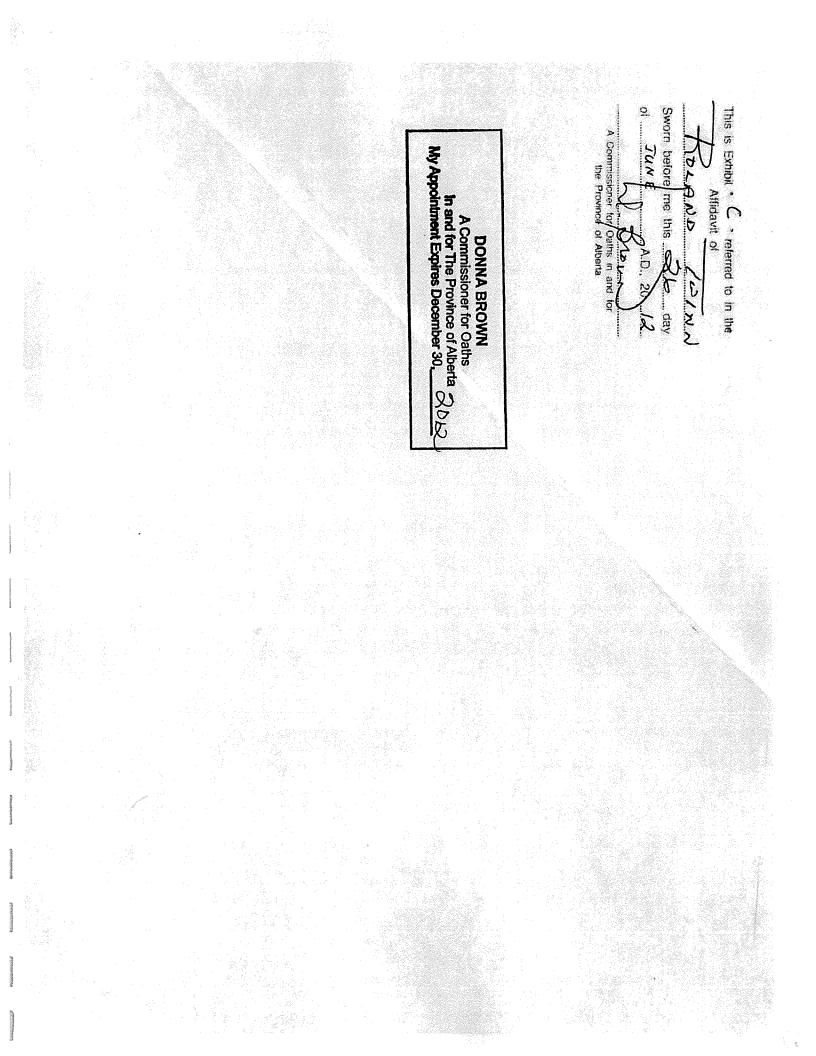
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IN THE FEDERAL COURT OF CANADA

TRIAL DIVISION.

BETWEEN:

ALINE ELIZABETH HUZAR,

JUNE MARTHA KOLOSKY,

WILLIAM BARTHOLOMEW MCGILLIVRAY

MARGARET HAZEL ANNE BLAIR,

CLARA HEBERT,

JOHN EDWARD JOSEPH McGILLIVRAY

MAURICE STONEY ,

ALLAN AUSTIN MCDONALD ,

LORNA JEAN ELIZABETH MCREE,

FRANCES MARY TEES,,

BARBARA VIOLET MILLER (NEE McDONALD)

Plaintiffs

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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN, IN RIGHT OF CANADA, DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS CANADA, and WALTER PATRICK TWINN, as Chief of the Sawridge Indian Band and the SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND,

Defendants

AMENDED STATEMENT OF CLAIM

AMENDED NOVEMBER 28TH, 1997

STATEMENT OF CLAIM

FILED on the 20th day of July, 1995. TO THE HONOURABLE THE FEDERAL COURT OF CANADA:

1. The Plaintiffs, ALINE ELIZABETH HUZAR, WILLIAM BARTHOLOMEW MCGILLIVRAY, JOHN EDWARD JOSEPH MCGILLIVRAY and MARGARET HAZEL ANNE BLAIR are ALL residents of Prince George, in the Province of British Columbia.

2. The Plaintiff, JUNE MARTHA KOLOSKY is a resident of Chetwynd, in the Province of British Columbia.

3. The Plaintiff, CLARA HEBERT is a resident of Leduc, in the Province of Alberta.

4. The Plaintiff, ALLAN AUSTIN McDONALD is a resident of Slave Lake, in the Province of Alberta.

5. The Plaintiffs, MAURICE STONEY, LORNA JEAN ELIZABETH MCREE and FRANCES MARY TEES are residents of Slave Lake, in the Province of Alberta, and the Plaintiff, BARBARA VIOLET MILLER (NEE McDONALD) is a resident of Slave Lake, in the Province of Alberta.

6. The Defendant, HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN, IN THE RIGHT OF CANADA, by way of the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada is duly constituted to administer aboriginal affairs in Canada.

7. The Defendant, WALTER PATRICK TWINN is the Chief of the Sawridge Indian Band and the Defendant, the SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND is a part of the group of Indian Bands known as Treaty 8 Group of Indians whose reserve lands are located in the Province of Alberta. At various dates commencing on June 21st, 1899 representatives of the Sawridge Indian Band or their predecessors signed or executed instruments of adhesion to Treaty No. 8 made with Her Majesty The Queen. B. At the time of the signing of adhesion to Treaty No. 8 the predecessors and forebearers of the Plaintiffs named herein were members of the Sawridge Indian Band, or alternatively, were duly constitued Band members after the adhesion to Treaty No. 8..

9. The Plaintiffs are all Treaty Indians by virtue of the operations of Sections 8 to 14.3, both inclusive of <u>The Indian Act</u> as amended by Section 4 of the Act entitled, "an Act to amend <u>The Indian Act</u>, Statutes of Canada, 1985, Chapter 27.

10. The Plaintiffs are aboriginal peoples of Canada within the meaning of Section 35 of the Constitution of Canada.

11. Section 35(1) of <u>The Constitution Act</u>, 1982 constitutionally entrenched the aboriginal rights and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada as they existed on April 17th, 1982, the date on which <u>The Constitution Act</u>, 1982 was proclaimed in force. When used herein, <u>The Constitution Act</u>, 1867 to 1982 will be referred to collectively as the "Constitution".

12. The aboriginal rights of the Plaintiffs, including their property rights, customary laws and governmental institutions which were possessed by the aboriginal people at the time of adhesion to Treaty No. 8 on June 21st, 1899 are still retained and possessed by the Plaintiffs herein notwithstanding such adhesion.

13. Treaty rights are the rights conferred or obtained by Indian Tribes or Bands pursuant to Treaties entered into with Her Majesty The Queen. These rights flow to the members of the Band. At no time were the rights of the Plaintiffs, their encestors and forebearers, to membership in the Sawridge Indian Band affected by the signing of the Treaty.

14. Membership to the Sawridge Indian Band was ascertained by a physical presence within the Band and at all material times, the ancestors and predecessors to the Plaintiffs were historically members of the Sawridge Indian Band. These membership rights of the predecessors and ancestors of the Plaintiffs have not been abrogated, neither by the signing of the Treaty nor by <u>The</u> <u>Constitution Act</u>, 1982.

15. The predecessors and ancestors of the Plaintiffs herein were historically members of the Sawridge Indian Band when Treaty No. 8 was signed, and as a result of such membership, the Sawridge Indian Band obtained such rights and benefits as would normally accrue to the Eand from Canada as a result of its membership, which membership included the predecessors and ancestors of the Plaintiffs herein, inter alia as follows:

- (i) The right to pursue their usual vocations of hunting, trapping and fishing throughout the tract surrendered.
- (ii) One square mile for each family of five for such number of families as may elect to reside on Reserves.
- (iii) Land in severality to the extent of 160 acres to each
 Indian for those Indians who may prefer to live apart
 from the Band Reserves.
- (iv)

A treaty payment of \$5.00 annually to each and every Indian.

(v) The salaries of teachers to instruct children.

(vi) Agricultural and economic incentives.

(vii) The bounty and benevolence of Her Majesty The Queen.

16. The Sawridge Band, at no time possessed the right to strip members of its Band, to take away Band membership, though from time to time, Band members formally lost their membership in the Band by way of operation of The Indian Act until the discrimination inherent in such loss was legislatively abolished pursuant to "An Act to amend <u>The</u> Indian Act", Statutes of Canada, 1985, Chapter 27.

17. Statutes of the Parliament of Canada enforced from time to time prior to the entrenchment of the existing aboriginal and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada in <u>The Constitution</u> <u>Act</u> governed and controlled who would be members of Indian Bands, in that all members were entitled to membership unless their membership rights were lost through operation of law.

18. The enactment of an Act entitled "An Act to amend <u>The</u> <u>Indian Act</u>", Statutes of Canada, 1985, Chapter 27 (The 1985 amendment), removed those discriminatory sections of <u>The Indian Act</u> which had unilaterally caused Band members to formally lose their membership rights and Indian status in a discriminatory fashion and thus nunc pro tunc, re-establishes existing Bands as they should have been had it not been for the indiscriminate and wanton intervention of the provisions of <u>The Indian Act</u>, terminating membership of Band members who were truly entitled to the same, in general, and to the Plaintiffs in particular.

19. Section 4 of the 1985 amendment adds new Sections 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 to The Indian Act, which may be summarized as follows:

(a)

(b)

A Band List must be maintained for each band in which shall be entered the name of every person who is a member of that Band. (Section 8)-

Commencing on April 17, 1985, certain persons who were not prior to that date members of a band became entitled to have their names entered in a Band List for that Band maintained in the Department. These include persons whose names were omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or from a Band List prior to September 4th, 1951, under certain prescribed provisions of <u>The</u> Indian Act as they read immediately prior to April 17th, 1985, or under any former provision of <u>The Indian</u> <u>Act</u> relating to the same subject matter as any of those provisions. The disqualifying provisions included the marriage by an Indian woman to a man who was not registered as an Indian and included any children of that woman born prior to that marriage and illegitimate children of Indian women whose membership in the band was protested under Section 12(2) of the 1951 Act. (Subsection 11(1))

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Commencing on June 28th, 1987 large numbers of additional persons who were not prior to April 17th, 1985 members of a band will b ecome entitled to have their names entered in a Band List for that Band maintained in the Department. These include Indian men and their families who voluntarily gave up their Indian status; first generation descendants of persons whose names were omitted or deleted from the Indian Register or from a Band List by virtue of the disqualifying provisions referred to in paragraph(b); first generation descendants of Indian men who voluntarily gave up their Indian status; and first generation descendants of the members of the families of such men who were alive at the time that the men voluntarily gave up their Indian status. (Subsection 11(2))

A Band may assume control of its own membership if a majority of the electors of the Band consent to its so doing and consent to the establishment by the Band of membership rules. (Section 10)

Membership rules established by the Band may not disqualify from membership in the Band any of the persons described in paragraphs (b) and (c) above by reason only of a situation that existed or an action that was taken before the rules came into force. (Subsections 10(4) and (5)) 20. Pursuant to the Sections hereinbefore set forth, the Plaintiffs are entitled to membership in the Sawridge Indian Band, and in pursuance thereof, the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development has caused to be issued to the Plaintiffs, status cards, identifying them as members of the said, Sawridge Indian Band.

21. The Plaintiffs hereinbefore set forth, have, inter alia, applied for, petitioned or requested their reinstatement as members of the Sawridge Indian Band, however, the Defendants, Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Indian Band, has neglected and failed to reinstate the Plaintiffs as members of the Sawridge Indian Band in accordance with the legislation hereinbefore set forth.

22. The Plaintiffs, ALINE ELIZABETH HUZAR (DOB August 7th, 1941), JUNE MARTHA KOLOSKY (DOB June 6th, 1937), WILLIAM BARTHOLOMEW McGILLIVRAY (DOB October 28th, 1932), MARGARET HAZEL ANNE BLAIR (DOB November 5th, 1928), JOHN EDWARD JOSEPH McGILLIVRAY (DOB September 7th, 1923) and CLARA HEBERT (DOB February 24th, 1927) are all entitled to be reinstated as members of the Sawridge Indian Band by virtue of the following facts:

(a) Each of the above mentioned Plaintiffs are the children of Caroline Mary McGillivray (nee Assiniboine) (Stoney) Treaty #29, the child of Johnny Assiniboine (Stoney) and Henriette Calder (Sinclair) Treaty #18, all of whom were treaty Indians and members of the Sawridge Indian Band.

(b) Caroline Mary McGillivray married Simon Mountrose McGillivray the 21st day of June, A.D. 1921, a man of Metis ancestry.

(c) As a result of not having married a treaty Indian and as a result of the discriminatory provisions of <u>The Indian Act</u>, she lost her status as a band member of the Sawridge Indian Band. (d) Consequential to the discriminatory provisions of <u>The</u> <u>Indian Act</u>, the Plaintiffs hereinbefore set forth, being the children of Caroline Mary McGillivray, lost their entitlement to band membership, as did their children.

(e) Pursuant to the 1985 amendments to <u>The Indian Act</u>, the Plaintiffs hereinbefore set forth, have applied for their treaty status and have regained their entitlement to be registered as members of the Sawridge Indian Band.

(f) The Plaintiffs hereinbefore set forth have applied for reinstatement in the Sawridge Band of Indians, but their application has been neglected and denied by the Defendants, Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Indian Band.

23. The Plaintiff, MAURICE STONEY is entitled to membership in the Sawridge Band of Indians by virtue of the following facts:

Maurice Stoney was born September 24th, 1941 at Slave
 Lake, Alberta. He was the son of William J. Stoney, Treaty Number 59
 and Margaret M. Stoney, Treaty Number 59 and is the grandson of
 Johnny Stoney, founder of the Sawridge Reserve, Treaty #18.

(b) The Defendants, Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Indian Band have discriminated against Maurice Stoney by failing to recognize his Band membership or entitlement to Band membership, arising out of his progenitory.

(c) That pursuant to the 1985 amendments to <u>The Indian Act</u>, Maurice Stoney has regained his Indian status, and his entitlement to membership in the Sawridge Band of Indians.

(d) The Plaintiff, Maurice Stoney has applied for re-instatement in the Sawridge Band of Indians, but his application has been denied by the Defendants, Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band of Indians. 24. The Plaintiffs, ALLAN AUSTIN McDONALD (date of birth January 13th, 1938), LORNA JEAN ELIZABETH McREE (date of birth October 6th, 1935), FRANCES MARY TEES (date of birth August 20th, 1948) and BARBARA VIOLET MILLER (date of birth August 22nd, 1950) are all entitled to membership in the Sawridge Band of Indians by virtue of the following facts:

(a) Each of the preceding Plaintiffs are the children of Annie McDonald (nee Stoney) Treaty #53, the child of Henrietta and Johnny Stoney Treaty #18, Treaty Indians and members of the Sawridge Indian Band.

(b) Annie Stoney married William McDonald, a non-treaty Indian, March 4th, 1935 and due to the discriminatory provisions of <u>The Indian Act</u>, was stripped of her status, and lost her membership in the Sawridge Indian Band December 3rd, 1936 and consequently, her children were born without membership in the Sawridge Band of Indians.

(c) That pursuant to the 1985 emendments to <u>The Indian Act</u>, the Plaintiffs hereinbefore set forth have regained their Indian status, and their entitlement to membership in the Sawridge Band of Indians.

(d) The Plaintiffs herein have applied for re-instatement in the Sawridge Band of Indians, but their applications for re-instatement has been refused by Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band of Indians.

25. The Plaintiffs claim that as a result of their loss of membership in the Sawridge Band, due to the discriminatory operation of <u>The Indian Act</u>, and that as a result of the operation of the 1985 amendments to <u>The Indian Act</u>, the Plaintiffs are entitled to membership in the Sawridge Band of Indians, along with all rights and benefits accruing thereto and therewith, along with damages for the economic loss arising out of the lost benefits and entitlements consistent with membership in the Sawridge Band of Indians, inter alia as follows: (i) Education costs.

(ii) Medical Care Benefits.

(iii) On reserve housing.

(iv) Tax exemption.

26. The Plaintiffs are entitled to reinstatement of Band membership in the Sawridge Indian Band, and each claims damages against the Defendants in excess of \$1,000,000.00, and in totality, damages in excess of \$11,000,000.00 for lost benefits and entitlements as more fully set forth in paragraph 25..

27. In the alternative, as a result of the failure of the Sawridge Band of Indians to grant unto the Plaintiffs herein membership in the Band as required by Law, each of the Plaintiffs are entitled to damages as against the Defendants herein for their:

- (i) pro rata share of the economic value of the reserve, in excess of \$1,000,000.00 or in totality, damages in excess of \$11,000,000.00, plus
- (ii) the value of lost economic benefits consequential to the loss of membership status as is more fully hereinbefore set forth in paragraph 25, in an amount in excess of \$1,000,000.00 per Plaintiff, or in totality, a sum in excess of \$11,000,000.00.

28. The Plaintiffs further claim as a result of the discriminatory provisions of <u>The Indian Act</u> hereinbefore set forth and as a result of the failure of the Sawridge Band of Indians to allow the Plaintiffs to be reinstated as members of the Band, the progeny and the next-of-kin of the Plaintiffs has suffered economic loss and each of the Plaintiffs hereto claim damages in excess of \$1,000,000.00 for economic loss for and on behalf of their progeny, and in totality, general damages for all Plaintiffs in excess of \$11,000,000.00.

29. The Plaintiffs claim as against the Defendants punitive damages and exemplary damages in excess of \$11,000,000.00 as a result of the arrogant and high-handed manner in which Walter Patrick Twinn and Sawridge Band of Indians has deliberately, and without cause, denied the Plaintiffs reinstatement as Band Members of the Sawridge Band, which denial is unwarranted and unjustified, and has been only out of malice, spite and the selfish desire of Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band of Indians to deprive the Plaintiffs of their just rights and dues, so that the Band and the Chief may be enriched, at the expense of the Plaintiffs.

30. The effect of the legislation prior to 1985 was to discriminate against aboriginal people in general and the Plaintiffs, their forefathers and forebearers in particular, thereby depriving the Plaintiffs of their Indian Heritage, ancestry, entitlements and benefits, all of which was as a consequence of discriminatory legislation passed by the Parliament of Canada, and administered by the Department of Indian Affairs, Northern Development, all of which resulted in a loss to the Plaintiffs as hereinbefore set forth in paragraphs 26, 27, 28 and 29.

31. In the alternative, the Plaintiffs claim that loss of their membership in the Sawridge Eand of Indians was due to the operation of Law and the administration of that Law by Her Majesty The Queen, In the Right of Canada, through the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and as a result of the discriminatory legislation so passed, the Plaintiffs are entitled to damages as against Her Majesty The Queen, In the Right of Canada, and the Department of Indian Affairs, Northern Development, as hereinbefore set forth more fully in paragraphs 26, 27, 28 and 29.

32. The Plaintiffs further claim as against the Sawridge band of Indains and Walter Twinn, a pro rata share of the assets of the Sawridge Band, including a pro rata share of the value of the holdings, savings, and any other entitlements or benefits which may accrue to the Plaintiffs as a result of their Indian status and Band membership.

The ancestors and forebearers of the Plaintiffs, either 33. signed or were a party to Treaty No. 8, wherein Her Majesty The Queen, In The Right of Canada, inter alia, undertook certain obligations toward the aboriginal people of Canada in general and the Plaintiffs in particular. The Government of Canada breached its fiduciary duty to the Plaintiffs in particular by being a party to and originator of inherently discriminatory legislation by which the Plaintiffs were deprived by Law of their membership status in the Sawridge Indian Band. Her Majesty The Queen, In The Right of Canada is a guardian and trustee of the Plaintiffs and holds a portion of the goods, assets and chattels of the Sawridge Band for and on behalf of the Plaintiffs hereinbefore set forth, as a resulting trust, or alternatively, as a constructive trust, against which the Plaintiffs hereinbefore set forth, claim in accordance with paragraphs 25, 27, 28 and 29.

"The Plaintiffs plead Sections 1 and 2 of the Canadian 34. Bill of Rights 8-9 Elizabeth The Second, Chapter 44 (Canada) R.S.C: 1970, Appendix III and state as the fact is that they have suffered discrimination, by reason of race, national origin and sex and as a consequence of such discrimination, have been deprived of their fundamental human rights and fundamental freedoms, namely:

(a) life, liberty and security of the person and enjoyment of property on a reserve which they have been deprived of due to discrimination.

(b) due to discrimination, have been deprived of the right to equality before the law, and protection of the law,

the said discrimination being the automatic loss of Indian Status by female treaty Indian and her progeny, when she married a non-treaty Indian, while a treaty male, who married a non-treaty woman, did not lose his Indian Status.

Amended Nov. 28th 1997

35. The Plaintiffs are owed a fiduciary duty by the Defendants, Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Indian Band, wherein they are charged with a trustee pursuant to the provisions of <u>The Indian Act</u> and who hold the assets of the Sawridge Indian Band for and on behalf of the Plaintiffs. The said Defendants hold those goods, assets and chattels of the Sawridge Band for and on behalf of the Plaintiffs as a resulting trust, or alternatively, as a constructive trust against which the Plaintiffs claim in accordance with paragraphs 26, 27, 28 and 29.

36. The Plaintiffs plead the Doctrine of Unjust Enrichment and state as the fact is that as a result of the discrimination against the Plaintiffs by the Defendant, Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band of Indians that Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band is enriched, all of which is at the expense and detriment of the Plaintiffs.

37. The Plaintiffs further claim that the Defendents, Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Indian Band are committing waste upon the Sawridge Reserve and are in the process of dissipating and squandering the assets of the Reserve to which the Plaintiffs herein have a vested interest. The Plaintiffs pray to this Court for an Order by way of injunction, restraining and prohibiting the said named Defendants from dissipating and wasting the assets of the Sawridge Band.

CLAIM

The Plaintiffs therefore claim as follows:

(a)

For a declaration pursuant to Section 8 to 14.3 of <u>The</u> <u>Indian Act</u> as amended by Section 4 of the Act entitled "an Act to amend The Indian Act", Statutes of Canada, 1985, Chapter 27, the Plaintiffs herein are entitled to membership in their historical Band, the Sawridge Band. For a declaration in the nature of a mandamus, that pursuant to the 1985 amendments of <u>The Indian Act</u>, that an Order be given directing the Department of Indian Affairs and the Sawridge Band include the names of the Plaintiffs on the Band List for the Sawridge Band.

For a declaration that the Plaintiffs herein are members of the Sawridge Band and entitled to all rights and benefits of such members.

Alternatively, the Plaintiffs claim damages as against the Sawridge Band of Indians, Walter Twinn and Her Majesty the Queen, In The Right of Canada for the value of their membership benefits, which may be proven at trial.

For a declaration that the Defendants hold on behalf of the Plaintiffs, the assets of the Sawridge Band as a resulting trust or alternately, a constructive trust.

The Plaintiffs claim damages as against the Defendants, each in excess of \$11,000,000.00.

The Plaintiffs further claim exemplary and punitive damages as the said Defendants, in excess of \$11,000,000.00.

An Order in the nature of an injunction, restraining the Defendants from wasting and dissipating the assets of the Sawridge Band.

The Plaintiffs further claim costs on a solicitor-client basis.

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DATED at Prince Albert, in the Province of Saskatchewan this 30th day of June, A.D. 1995.

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STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Notice to the Defendants

You are required to file in the Registry of the Federal Court of Canada, at the City of Ottawa or at a local office of the Court, your defence to the enclosed Statement of Claim or declaration within 30 days after the day of service hereof in accordance with the Federal Court Rules, if you are served within Canada.

If you are served in the United States of America, the period for filing the statement of defence is 40 days.

If you are served outside Canada and the United States of America, the period for filing the statement of defence is 60 days.

Instead of filing a statement of defence, you may apply to the Court for leave to file a conditional appearance pursuant to Rule 401 of the Federal Court Rules.

If you fail to defend this proceeding, you will be subject to have such judgment given against you as the Court thinks just upon the plaintiff's own showing.

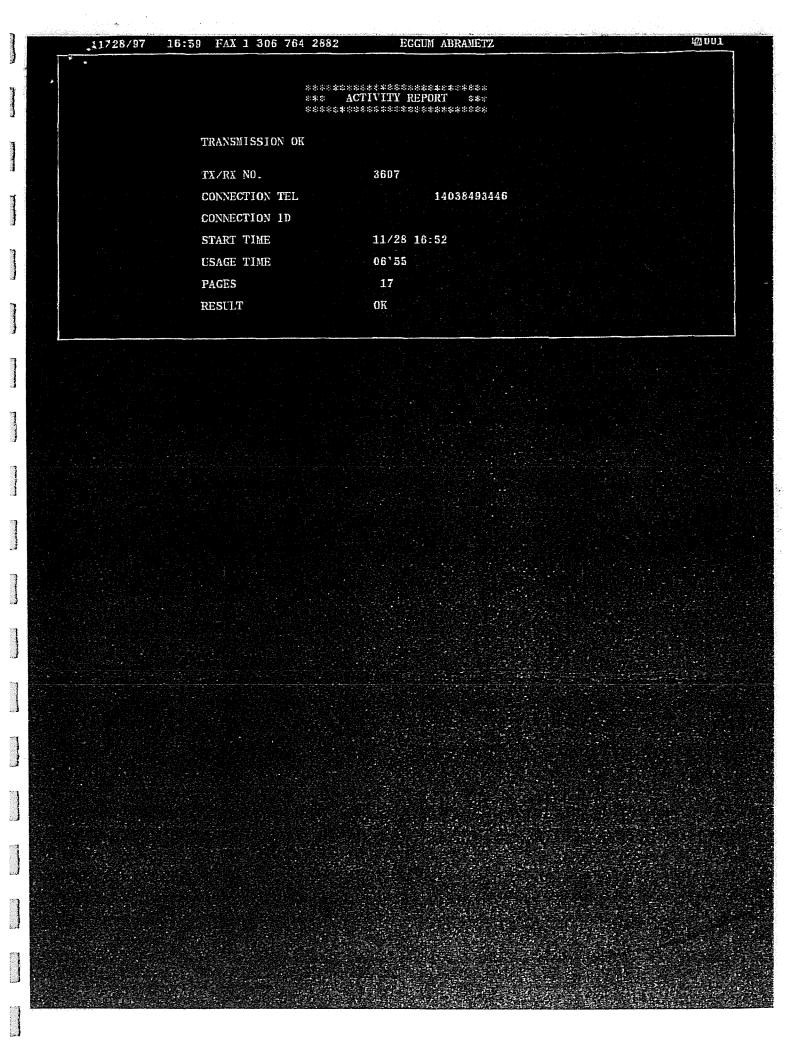
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Copies of the Federal Court Rules, information concerning the local office of the Court, and other necessary information may be obtained upon application to the Registry of the Court at Ottawa telephone - (613)992-4238 - or at any local office thereof.

The Statement of Claim is filed by ECCUM, ABRAMETZ & ECCUM Solicitors for the Plaintiffs



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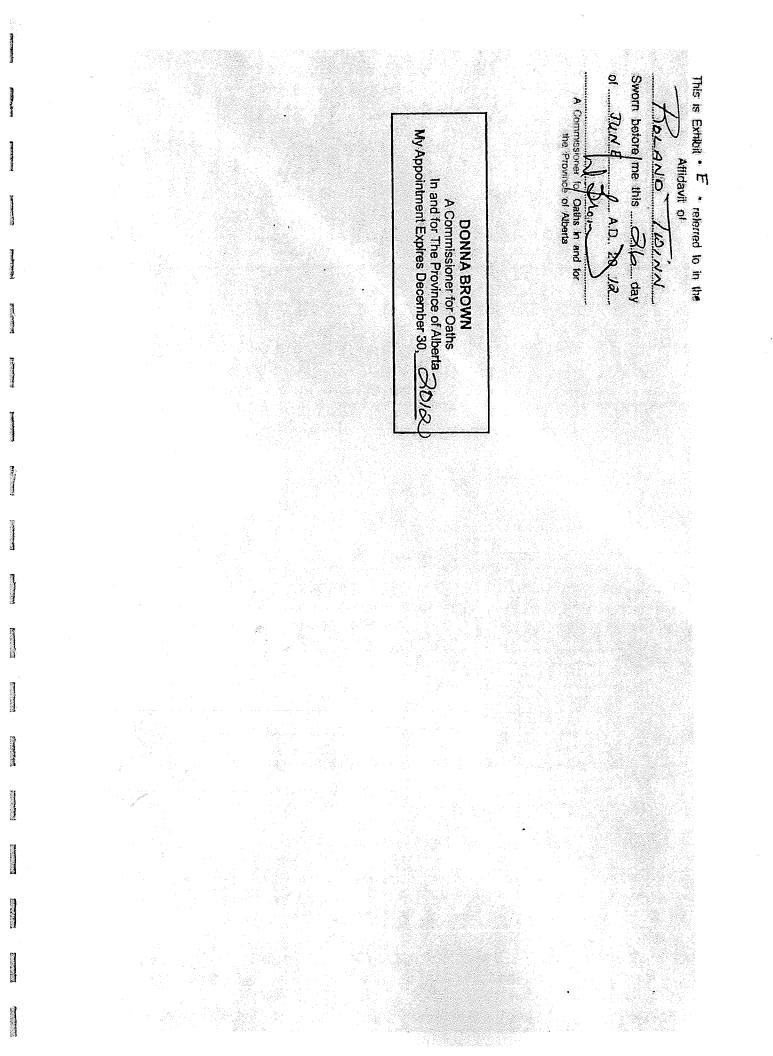
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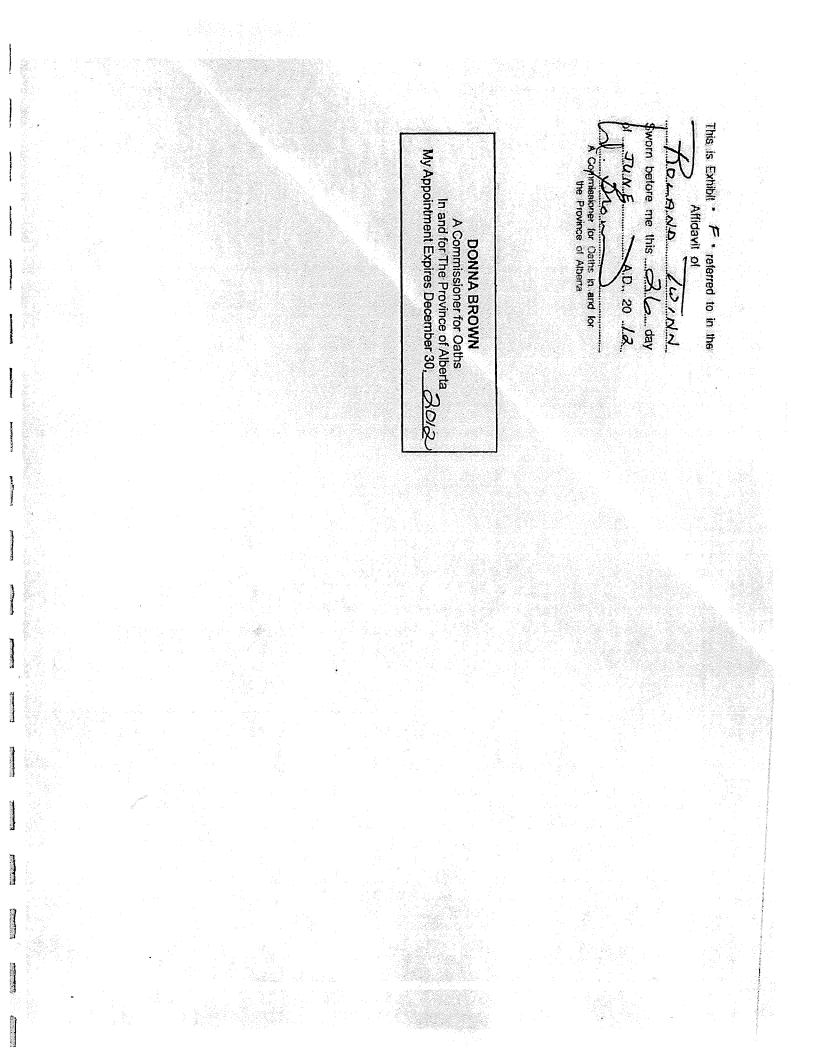
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ANNOUNCER Maurice Stoney owns a successful taxi business in Slave Lake. He was born and raised on Sawridge but his parents left the reserve to avoid having to send their kids to residential school. They all lost Indian status but Bill C-31 gave it back and Maurice Stoney now believes he is now entitled to return to Sawridge.

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MAURICE STONEY

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The Lakeside Leader, Slave Lake, AB, Wed., June 16, 1993 A3

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By M.Partington-Richer

right to be on the Sawridge Sawridge Indian reserve Saturorder keeping them off the day. Marching just beyond markers designating reserve land, they posed for photographs. Then they About two dozen demonstrators who say they have every band's membership list defied an <u>E</u>

make their peaceful protest Satur-One of the demonstrators was ers chose the first homestead set up by Gladue and his brother to 82-year-old Ned Gladue. Protestday.

We skidded the logs "The Indian agent at Sucker told us to move in," said Gladue, pointing through the trees to what scive. "He gave us logs to build a house not even 100 yards from through here and built our house." he said, standing on the old Hwy. 2, about 4 km west of Creek brought us out here and used to be known as the Ward re-Slave Lake. hcre.

Shortly after the brothers built

their home, however, the Indian agent told Ned he and his brother had no status. Their father, the agent told them. was not a treaty Indian.

"The agent told us our dad about the law, so we left." That was 1943. Gladuo says he's since moved, adding he's still waiting was a half-breed. We didn't know been told he was illegally reto get back onto the band list.

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The threat of charges didn't faze demonstration organizer Maurice Stoney. After all these he says he's still here ---VCBIN.

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Elder Ned Gladue tells S/Sgt. Lance Stewart that more than 50 years ago, he built his first home less than a kilometre from the point where demonstrators held their rally Saturday. Gladue insists he's only interested in a home

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SCOPE, Monday, June 21, 1993, Page 15 Protesters claim right to Sawridge reserve land

By Walt Rieth Approximately 20 protesters stepped on land which they claim is rightfully theirs.

The recent demonstration was called to draw attention to the plight of a few hundred disenfranchised members of the Sawridge Indian Band.

The protest was over a band membership dispute which will be heard by Canada's Supreme Court in September.

The group met four kilometers west of Slave Lake on a road in front of reserve land where one of the demonstators settled many years ago.

Ned Gladue, the old-

est member of the protest father was an Indian. group (he says he has been told he was born around 1912), told the gathering that when he and his brother arrived from Sucker Creek, an Indian agent gave them a \$50 youcher for food.

"We were told to move into this place, and the Indian agent gave us the right to use the logs for a cabin," he said.

At that time, he said, there was a chief and band council in Driftpile, and only a councillor in Sucker Creek.

his Indian status in 1943 when an agent disputed the fact that the brothers'

"We didn't know anything about the law then," he said, "and were kicked out."

Maurice Stoney, one of the demonstration organizors, said the group is not making a grab for the band's money.

"We're not after the money but we need land and a place to live," he said.

"We want help from three levels; the federal government, the province. (and the Sawridge band."

4 Stoney, born and rais-Gladue said he lost ed in Slave Lake, said his grandfather John Stoney was an original band member.

> Another member of the protest group was Charles Twinn, the cousin of current Sawridge Band Chief Walter Twinn.

Charles said he sold his Indian Status in 1955 for \$700.

"We made mistakes, but he could say we made mistakes and try to help us," he said.

Charles' father. SL Pierre Twinn, was the chief before Paul Twinn, Walter's father,

Frank Ward, currently a Slave Lake resident, said he used to live on the Ward family reserve, what is now the western section of the Sawridge reserve, and was originally in the band.

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June Kolosky, currently living in Chetwynn, British Columbia, said she married a non-treaty Indian, but was reinstated by federal legislation in 1985.

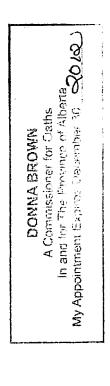
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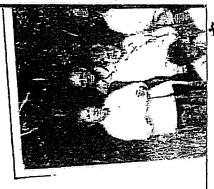
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The protest organizers say they are now waiting for a ruling by the Sujurisdiction over band membership requirements. The Sawridge band

maintains band membership should be decided by the band councils and not by federal legislation.

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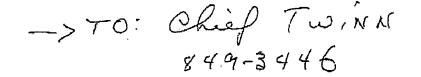


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Protesters dare to step on to Sawridge land

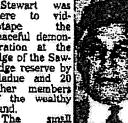
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Slave Lake

In defiance of one of Canada's wealthiest and most powerful Indi-an leaders, Ned Gladue set foot on land that he lost to the whim of an Indian agent 50 years ago. "We skidded the logs for the

houses with horses right through here," Gladue said, pointing the barely visible trail out to Lance Stewart, an RCMP officer from Slave Lake. Stewart was there to vid-

eotape the peaceful demonstration at the edge of the Saw-ridge reserve by Gladue and 20 other members of the wealthy band.



group represents Twinn more than 300 Twinn persons who regained their Indian status and membership in the Sawridge band through a federal law

passed in 1985. Instead of baing welcomed home, the reinstated members have become the centre of a legal dispute between Ottawa and Sawridge Chief Walter Twinn, a Conservative senator.

In the case which goes before the Federal Court of Canada in Sep-tember, Twinn is arguing that only band councils — not Ottawa - can decide who is a band mem-

ber. The membership dispute has serve to hav stalled Twinn's plans to take Saw- the RCMP windge out of the Indian Act and ness the act.

make it one of the few self-governing Indian bands in Canada

On learning plans of the demon-stration, Twinn wrote organizers they might face criminal trespass charges if they set foot on the reserve.

The Sawridge band acknow-ledges about 100 members, most of whom work for the various business ventures Twinn has developed with the band's oil and gas royalties.

"We don't want the band's mon-

ey," seld Gladue. "We don't want a fight. We just want the land that's ours."

Gladue was forced to leave the reserve, located four km west of, Slave Lake, in 1943 when an Indian agent decided that his father had not been an Indian,

Charles Twinn, one of the chiefs cousins, is also seeling readmission

to the band he left when he sold his Indian status for \$700. 'I was young then," said Twinn, whose father St. Pierre Twinn was chief before Walter's father Paul.

"When a guy is young do you-blame him for the way everything goes? You think he (Walter) would try and help, or overlook mistakes."

Maurice Stoney, one of the dember of a council named by the exiled Sawridge members, said the;

group is determined. "These people are not going to; slide away," he said.

The demonstrators were prepared to be arrested for trespass. But when they stepped on the reserve to have their pictures taken, the RCMP were not there to wit-

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Who is a real Indian, anyway?

Sawridge Chief Walter Twinn is fighting off an invasion of Bill C-31 natives

ndian activists these days are quick to Cry racism over their treatment by non-

natives, but intolerance seems to be thriving in the native community as well. A group of Cree Indians claim they are unfairly being denied their ancestral right to live on the Sawridge Indian Reserve by Chief Walter Twinn. But Chief Twinn, who counters that they can't prove they belong to the band, has taken his fight for the right to determine who is a legitimate band member to the courts



Evicted Indian Hamelin: Pack your bags, Chiel Twinn ordered.

The 300 Indians lobbying for the right to live on the the eviction. Mr. Hamelin was "destinue," Sawridge reserve, located on the castern tip he says, so he offered to let him and his

of Lesser Slave Lake, are using the eviction of medicine man Billy Hamelin as a symbol of their struggle.

Mr. Hamelin says he was "personally invited" by Chief Twinn last year to live on the reserve and "oversee native spiritual ceremosays the chief subsequently became annoyed at his practices and on June 1 gave him eight days to leave the reserve. Not surprisingly. Chief Twinn, who is a member of the Senate, has a much different version of the events surrounding

wife, Cathy, live in a vacant band employee house. The band even paid their bills. "But after a while, band members protested this because he had no legal grounds to be here," says Chief Twinn. He adds that Mr. Hamelin has "dishonoured" the band by organizing other displaced Crees to protest his eviction.

Indeed, Mr. Hamelin is not alone in feeling mistreated by Chief Twinn. Cree Indian nies." However, he Maurice Stoney estimates that the chief has prevented at least 12 families, including some Twinns, from living on the reserve. Most of them live in nearby Slave Lake, and almost all are C-31 Indians. Enacted in 1985. Bill C-31 loosened the restrictions on who could claim native status, creating about 90,000 new Indians. Mr. Stoney maintains that since the bill passed, local C-31 Indians enjoy the same treaty rights as other status natives, and many have ancestors on the original band list. Therefore, they should be welcomed on the reserve.

However, Chief Twinn refuses even to meet with them. The federal Department of

The neighbourhood fights back

Police and residents collaborate to drive out hookers and pushers

n a warm summer evening last week On a woman loitered outside the ethnic cales and grocery stores on Edmonton's 107 Avenue looking dishevelled, stoned and about 20 years older than her age. A late-model gold compact daried out of the busy traffic, angled against the curb and two men, whose fashionably baggy T-shirts concealed bullet-proof vests and automatic pistols, leapt out. In the blink of an eye the woman was handcuffed and on her way to the downtown Edmonton police station where she was held under a liquor control act provision that allows an intoxicated person to be detained without charge.

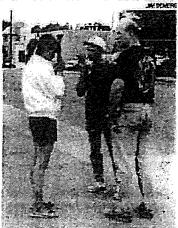
The arrest was part of a continuing effort by the Edmonton Police Service and community groups to chase the hookers and drug dealers out of the Central McDougall and Queen Mary boroughs of the city. And while no one is willing to declare the war won, after dozens of arrests and at least as many drug house closures, a degree of normalcy has been restored to the neighbourhood.

The problems associated with the sex trade have plagued the area north of the city's downtown since

the turn of the century. In recent years the business has become bigger and rougher, as the twin perils of drugs and prostitution feed off each other. According to police, nearly every hooker on 107 Avenue is addicted to some drug, most often cocaine. They turn a \$50 trick, use the money to get "cranked," then repeat the cycle non-stop for up to 48 hours without food or sleep.

John Belanger is vice-president of the

Queen Mary Community League, which encompasses the hooker district. Fed up



Constables Forsberg and Anderson: A 'zero-tolerance' approach,

with being propositioned and tired of secing his neighbourhood littered with condoms and syringes, he and his fellow community league members met with police late last February to chart a strategy for reclaiming their streets.

Constables Trent Forsberg and Jim An-

derson are two of the four officers on the Queen Mary-McDougall beat. Gregarious and outgoing, the two have established a rapport with the ethnically diverse residents on their beat. Const. Anderson even learned to speak and write Cantonese,

They agree that the neighbourhood had reached its nadir last January when as many as 40 prostitutes were working a 10-block strip of 107 Avenue. Police were

arresting only those who had made themselves a persistent nuisance. After their



Indian and Northern Affairs has also refused to intervene. The ministry's Alberta office refuses even to comment on the dispute, citing Chief Twinn's court challenge against Bill C-31. In 1986, along with Chief Wayne Roan of the Ermineskin band and Chief Bruce Starlight of the Sarcee band, the Sawridge chief launched a court challenge to Bill C-31's constitutionality. The case continues in Edmonton in September.

One Slave Lake resident thinks Chief Twinn's actions are motivated by profit, not principle. "He doesn't say it in so many words," she says, "but he just doesn't want to split the pic." Chief Twinn retorts that many of the Indians claiming to be Sawridge band members can't prove they belong to his band. He also contends that "it's open to question" whether some of them should even have native status. And he believes that a first step towards selfgovernment is a band's ability to determine mentbership.

Mr. Stoney says many of the disputed Sawridge natives feel powerless to combat Mr. Twinn's legal and political savvy. He also wonders what has happened to co-operation among his people. "It's a sad thing for natives to be fighting amongst themselves in this day and age."

-Patty Fuller

meetings with the community, however, they adopted a different approach: zero tolerance. They arrested hookers for any infraction, however minor—jaywalking, hitchhiking, public drunkenness—in an effort to squeeze the hookers back to their traditional zone known as the "drag" on 96th Street.

It was during one of those petty arrests that one of the girls complained bitterly that police were picking on the prostitutes and ignoring the pushers who were feeding off the skin trade. Deciding she had a point, the constables began following the hookers to the doorsteps of the local drug pusher, who would get a visit from a SWAT team an hour or so later. For a while in March, police were "whacking" one coke house a day.

By last month, the problems had all but dried up. Business people in the area report that in wake of the clean-up, sales have climbed dramatically. But Constables Forsberg and Anderson warn that their work is never over. "It's like weeding a garden," says Const. Forsberg, "you can go in and take out every weed, but if you don't stay on it. first thing you know—you're back where you started."

-Jim Demers

Good news for natural gas

A geological survey says there's lots yet to be found

Surging natural gas prices and improved access to new U.S. markets are sparking an oil patch resurgence, but one other vital factor must be addressed if western Canadian producers are to enjoy lasting prosperity: substantial new reserves must be found. Only time—and significant expenditures on exploration—will tell just

how much potential remains within the western Canadian sedimentary basin, but a report released last month by the Geological Survey of Canada suggests abundant reason for optimism. According to the GSC, more than half of the regions' natural gas is likely still undiscovered.

The report, entitled Devonian Gas Resources of the Western Canada Sedimentary Basin, is the first in a series analyzing all the major hydrocarbon-bearing formations in the ba-

sin. Co-author Jim Barclay says the Devonian stratum, which harbours about 27% of all natural gas reserves discovered in the basin, were assessed first partly because they are the oldest and deepest formations (geologists prefer to work from the bottom up). But another reason for starting there is that Devonian rocks are regarded as having the greatest potential for major new discoverics. Indeed, most of the bigger recent finds, such as the Alberta's Caroline field and the Slave Point reefs of northeastern B.C., have occurred in Devonian formations.

The GSC estimates total Devonian gas reserves at 126 trillion cubic feet (tef), of which about 40% has so far been discovered. Of the remainder, 16% is estimated to lie in pools associated with known "plays," or large fields, while 44% is thought to be contained in undiscovered plays.

Mr. Barelay figures that about 60% of the gas in the entire sedimentary basin remains undiscovered. While relatively fewer new reserves remain to be discovered in the shallower and more intensively developed Cretaceous formations, many of the deeper foothills plays, which are believed to hold significant deposits, are still entirely unexplored.

All this means the western Canadian basin retains considerably more exploration promise than most other North American structure gas basins. Accord-

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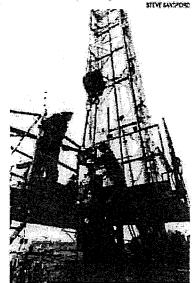
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area's oil is still to be

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president Jim Gray



Drilling rig: The rebound has already begun.

agrees that western Canada should be an attractive area for gas exploration in the foreseeable future. "In the U.S., there's been very few big discovcries in recent years," he notes. "Our potential is considerably better. We are just a less mature basin."

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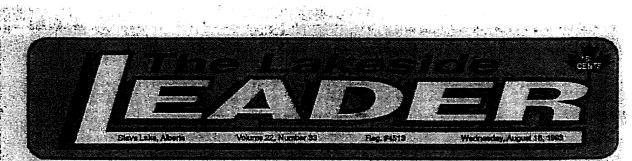
But how much of that potential is realized largely depends on price. The GSC calculates that only about 16% of remaining Devonian gas reserves would be worth producing at a price of \$1.25 per thousand cubic feet (mcf), while 43% would be economic at a price of \$2.50. After falling as low as 80¢ per mcf last year, prices on the natural gas spot market have risen this year to the \$2 range.

Higher gas prices are already credited as one of the factors fuelling a recent rebound from last year's drilling doldrums. The *Nickle Daily Oil Bulletin* reported last week that 2,462 wells were drilled in western Canada in the first quarter of 1993, the highest total in four years. Last year, only 1,181 were drilled in the same period.

—Tom McFeely

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Protesters demand entry into band

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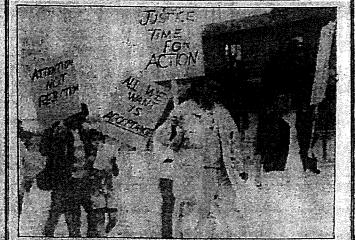
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Protesters march for inclusion

cut in BDC. Futures By David Züberbier

The number of staff positions at the Community future-B Development office is being cut from six to four because former were costing \$170,000 annually, 1 figure re-organization com ause former staff member June Coursel termed as being "way out" of a proper salary scale.

"Way out" salary

scale forces staff

Conrad made the c sent Wednesday in Smith wh fellow Improvement District 17(E). South councilors on the state of re-organization of Community Futures and BDC.

1D. 17(E) South manager Jack Ramme told councilors that the Community Futures board will consist of four members. There will be one appointed representative each from the Town of Slave Lake, Town of High Prairie, Improvement District 17 and the aboriginal commu-nity. The new BDC beard will consist of seven members, four of which are also Community Futures board members. The three other BDC board members will be positions from the public at large

Coarad explained that the number of staff with both offices is be ing out from six to four positions. Rosenary Beggs with the Town of High Prairie, Kon Jardine representing the Town of Slave Labe and Coired serve as the re-organization committee members. It's their re-sponsibility to write the job descriptions for new staff and also adver-tise for those positions.

The new staff will consist of an monthive director, leans offiour/business enalyst, executive assisted to the executive dire another position not mand at this point Adventisement for the cew positions appear in this week's aduon of *The Lotende Leader*.

Another change in the works for both organization is the dates when board meetings will take place. Before the re-organization west into effect meetings had been held separately. The Community Fatures meeting was held one day of each month, while the Business Developinent Centre meeting was held 'one or two evenings of a month," said Conrad

"Under the new changes the moetings will be amalgamated on one day of each month. Course said the Community Futures board meetday of each month. Course such the Community Futures pour mea-ing will begin at 300 or 4500 p.n. and confinue until 730 to 5300. The Binness Development Contre board will then meet immediately after, with the length of the meeting set at two hours. Coursed and changing the meeting dates was necessary to reduce travel appender incurred by members of both previour boards. Minutes from the Bussness Development Centre meetings will still as the subsect to the substite Courts and both gravitors of this.

not be released to the public County and they can't because of the private nature of the loans handed out. Manutes of the Community Patures meetings will be mailed out each month

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Twenty-live protesters marched from the Sawridge Band administration office to the Sewridge Truck Stop Thursday, demanding a meeting with Chief Walter Twhn on being relinstated into the band and garing full band privileges. Twinn drove by the protesters, accepted a one page piece of paper outlining the reason for the protest, that left. Group spokesperson Maurice Stoney says more protests will take place if Twinn continues to re-

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stith n Gordon Sinclair says, Twinn and the federal government must

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Protener Billy Hamelin says Please see Page A2

PLEASE READ AND RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER

Man dies after falling off truck By David Zuberbier on the pavement

An Alberta Transportation employee was rushed to an Edmontou hospital Thursday after he fell out of the back of a pick-up 20 km south of Gift Inte

High France RCMP say Ai Ion LeeRoy Cooper, 49 yrs , of Vermilion was sitting on the tailgate of a pickup truck when he fell off and study his head

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to U of A hospital where he died of head injuries Friday at 10:30 pm

The accident occured south of Gift Lake at a road construction site.

Police say the accident is being investigated by Occupa-tional Health and Safety and RCMP

tisd in.

He was flown immediately

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what we're trying to start, and it's a complete shame for our spirituality.

day says proof that he and his fellow protesters are band members exists now.

"We've got bend lists, we've got genealogy. The's our see in the hole. We have it and 1 wouldn't be out here if 1 didn't feel we were justified."

Pauline Johnson says proof. they're band members can be found on their C-31 cards

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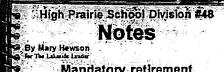
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not the time to kick as out like to be in kindness, and he's not A. ... awhile we have eiden, we get to the group will hold more demon-gether with the elders, and feed smainer. Sincing says the group them and have a round dance will also travel to Edmontan ment month to observe and particip in the Twinn court rase

Aline McGillivray says the hearings on the case will begin Sept 20 in Edmonton. It's exected the case could continue for at least mother two years gives the likelihood of appeals." Chief Walter Twinn was not evailable for comment-on the rotest Monday + 2



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for leachers unconstitutional High Pairie School Division No. 45 where or their Aug 11 meeting in High Prime decided not to develop a manda-bay minimum policy for their teachers because and a tory retirement policy for their night prove unconstitutional. Superimentary tory retirement policy for their teachers because such a policy

Superintendent Verne Evans told trustees that he had con-tacted lawyers at the Alberta School Board Association re-• parting a policy of making returement at age 65 mandatory, and was told "It would be very difficult to justify."

"In light of that, do we develop a policy." Evens enked board members

Evans said years ago fire board had a policy which was legal but the Constitution and the Cluster of Rights have now 12 put mandatory retirement policies into spiration. Although a challenge by a professor at the University of Alberta was lost Tonuinence by a professor at the University of Alberta was lock 1981 year and taniversities can now require professors to retire 1984 et 65, lawyers at the ASBA told Evans it was unlikely the 9 same would hold true for teachers.

Slave Lake trustee Nicole Gladu felt the board should have a mandatory retirement policy anyway, even if it were chillonged in court

That's a back of a generation gap between a 65-year-old and a 15-year-old kid, the communication problems are there," said Gladu.

The set of the set of the second of the set when in all likelihood the board would lose, did not justify baving a policy. Few teachers that age are in the HPSD said board members, who also felt these that were were regarded as excellent teachers. "I don't see putting a policy in place if we don't shink it will stand up," and trustee Dariene Anderson.

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for student council

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Ł could help the sudents form active councils. "It doetn't seem to me they're (councils) active at all," said

Gislu "Maybe they (students) don't know what to do Superintendent Verne Evans told Gladu he acceled to bring 19 it lip. at the next administratory meeting with the suggestion The states approved application -

Trustees approvel application for day labor scheme

1 Trustees approved requesting ministerial approval to use Tabe day labor scheme for the construction of the \$464,400 artof drama addition to Roland Michener School in Slave Lake.

Government support for the project is \$271,418. Under the day labor scheme the board will act as its own • Under

We find we're able to control costs batter under day la-We find we re not to convort the sector of the HPSD box' said Laurie Marston, secretary breasure of the HPSD. In anticipation of board and ministerial approval, and to be been stracked by the sector of the breast hard the total ten-In anticipation of board and ministerial approval, and to copiedic construction. Marston suid he has already let out tea-ders, with the closing date of Aug. 16. The board will make the second date of Aug. 16. The board will make the second date of the fenders, and receiving official ep-ryphysical School alarm systems

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Marston told trustees there has been a 36 per cent increase in insurance premiums to schools in general, plus an addi-tional surcharge to schools which don't have induction aligns systems. However, Marston said, all schools within the HPSD have had the systems installed

"We think they've more than paid for themselves," he said



ALL SUPPORTERS ARE WELCOME TO THIS PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION WE DO NOT WANT TO INCONVENIENCE ANYONE.

We were born and raised in Slave Lake, Alberta, regained our status in 1985, now we are band members of the Sawridge Band; however, this is not being recognized. Our grandparents and parents lived on the Sawridge Reserve and we have inherited the right to belong.

We have written letters to our Chief Walter Twinn, phoned him, visited his office and his home, and faxed him. All to no avail. It has all fallen on deaf ears. He has completely ignored us.

It is time for justice. It is time for action. We want acceptance as band members.

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Ki-See-Pey-Ga-Mahk (K.C.F.N.) Cree First Nation, 609-12th Street, S.E., SLave Lake, Ab.

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Feb. 29, 2000

Re: Band Status and New Reserve. Mr. Bob Nault, Minister of Indian Affairs.

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Affidavil of LWINN 1 PLAND Sworn before me this 26 day JUNE A Commission the Province of Alberta DONNA BROWN A Commussioner for Oaths In and for The Province of Alberte, I am the spokespenson and elected MyAppointment Express December 30 2012

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See-Pey-Ga-Mahk, Cnee Finst Nation- R.C.F.N.

This follow up states that the members of K.C., F.N. are all former Sawridge Band members. Despite our reinstatement to Indian Status, K.C.F.N. members have been unable to negain membership in our band of origin. K.C.F.N. was established for our people, whose heritage can be located in the Sawridge. K.C.F.N. members wish to form a new band and reserve persuart to 5.17 of the Indian Act.

The K.C.F.N. membens have waited over fifteen years for our membenship privileges. To date we have been unsuccessful in obtaining our membership from the band of our ancestors. K.C.F.N. members believe and respect that the Crown would be prepared to create a new band and reserve on the northeast side of Lessen Slave Lake, in the Province of Alberta. We are willing to regotiate a settlement leading to Band Status and the creation of a new reserve.

Youns Truly,

Maurice Stoney

(Maurice Stoney)

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Ki-Se'e-Pey-Ga-Mahk Cree First Nations #609 - 12 Street S.E. Slave Lake, Alberta TOG 2A3

October 18/2000

Attn: Catherine Twinn, Sawridge Band First Nations

Dear: Chief and Council

I am the elected spokesperson for the K.C.F.N. Band Council, that we formed. This Band

Council is made up of our parents children and former Sawridge Band Members, who also lost their Band Membership. We formed a Band Council to try and get the Indian Affairs Government to recognize our plight.

The Feds maintain that they don't recognize us as a First Nations People. We are asking the Sawridge Band for help with our proposal to create a new Band and Reserve. We are willing to join forces with the Sawridge Band, to sue the Indian Act. We believe it's time for a new approach to be put in place to conquer Indian Affairs. We established a list of names of the people who make up our K.C.F.N. Band Council.

In conclusion, we are willing to participate and do what is necessary to achieve the challenge put forth to the Feds.

Band Council Members Signatures/Names - K.C.F.N

- 1. Maurice Stoney -
- 2. Dicky Twin²
- 3. Frank Ward -
- 4. Paul Potskin -
- 5. Henry Sawan -
- 6. Wilfred Cardinal -
- 7. Others Pending -

Yours truly,

Maurice Stoney

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DONNA BROWN A Commissioner for Oaths In and for The Province of Alberta In and for The Province of Alberta

RECEIVED Ki-see-pey-ga-mahk Cree First Nation 609 - 12 Street S.E. APR-5 2001 Slave Lake, AB T0G 2A3 Sawridee This is Exhibit ' Q ' referred to in the Source Road Attidaxis of The Attidaxis of The AND Twinn cheif + Council Swom before me this R.6 day m/4. PERSONAlly Livero d M. STONey April 4, 2001 of JUNE A.D. 20 12 A Commissioner to: Daths in and the Province/ ct Albena Indian Affairs Ottawa, ON Fax: (819)953-4941 DONNA BROWN Attention: Daniel Charbonneau A Commissioner for Oaths In and for Title Province of Alberta 20/2 Dear Daniel: This letter is to confirm our telephone discussion this morning. I would like to know if it is possible for your department to assist us in our plight to establish a new reserve for our members. This new band would consist of off-reserve,

Bill C-31 Sawridge band members.

A tentative date for a meeting is being scheduled for April 27, 2001, in Slave Lake. I am requesting your attendance to help us through the process. Please let me know if it is possible for you to attend this meeting. I may be reached at (780) 849-5173. If an alternate date is desired, please let me know what is more convenient for you.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours truly,

Maurice Stoney

Maurice Stoney (Spokespector)

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March 21, 2001

Ki-See-Pey-Ga-Mahk Cree First Nations 609-12 Street SE Slave Lake, AB T0G-2A3 ATTN: Cheryl L. Goodswimmer & Executive Board of Directors – Treaty 8

Dear Cheryl:

I am writing in regards to our conversation we had on the phone. I would like to know if it is possible for Treaty 8 to assist in our plight to establish a new reserve for our members. These Bill C-31 members are from the Sawridge Band First Nations in Slave Lake. The Federal Government says that they don't recognize us as First Nations People. We understand that the Sawridge Band would participate if a meeting was to be put forth in Slave Lake.

Thanks for taking the time to read this request, and I look forward to hearing from you.

This is Exhibit * R · referred to in the ROLAND TWINN Sworn before the this 24 day of JUNE / 20 12 A Commissioner for daths in and for the Province of Alberta

Sincerely,

Maurice stoney

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MEMBERSHIP PROCESSING FORM

APPLICANT: MAURICE FELIX STONEY

ADDRESS: 500 - 4TH Street N.W., Slave Lake, AB TOG 2A1

PHONE: 780-849-5193

APPLICABLE MEMBERSHIP SECTION #2

APPLICATION REQUIRED? Yes

SPECIFIC RIGHT? No

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BECAUSE: Applicant was enfranchised with his Father when applicant was 2 years old. Applicant would have regained status under subsection 6(2) of the Indian Act.

APPLICATION		DONNA BROWN
Application satisfactorily completed?	Yes	A Commissioner for Oaths
Applicant interviewed by both Councilors?	No	In and for The Province of Alberta My Appointment Expires December 30. 206
Applicant interviewed by Chief?	No	

SUMMARY OF FIRST NATION COUNCILS JUDGMENTS

CONNECTION TO FIRST NATION

- No family in the First Nation for generations. As of 1956 none of the Stoney Family were part of the First Nation.
- Applicant claims that he was forced out, while documents indicate that Father voluntarily enfranchised with his family (including applicant) for the benefit of all. Claims he did not receive any money upon enfranchisement, but father would have been given his share.
- Claims to have resided on reserve with parent and grandparents until enfranchisement, while enfranchisement documents indicate that father had lived off of reserve for quite a number of years (in May 1944). Application also indicates that he lived in Slave Lake since birth (1941).
- Claims Johnny Stony had a role in the creation of the Sawridge Reserve in 1896. Records indicate that Grandfather was part of Alexander Band and could not be counted for land at Sawridge. Grandfather was transferred without land or money from Alexander Band in 1910.
- Applicant claims connection through relationship with Grandfather who was a member until Applicant was 15 years old.
- Claims Chief and Council support his bid for Membership.
- Does not show any relationship with any members

SIGNIFICANT COMITTMENT TO FIRST NATION(and its History, Customs, Traditions, Culture and Communal Life).

- Applicant participated in action commenced in 1995 against the First Nation seeking:
 - Firstly in excess of \$1M for damages in lost benefits for Education Costs, Medical Care Benefits, Housing and Tax Exemption, or alternatively, in excess of \$1M as a pro rata share of the economic value of the reserve plus the lost benefits in excess of \$1M; and
 - o Secondly in excess of \$1M for economic loss for and on behalf of her progeny; and

- Thirdly, in excess of \$1M in punitive damages for "the arrogant and high-handed manner in which Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band of Indians has deliberately, and without cause, denied the Plaintiffs reinstatement as Band Members of the Sawridge Band, which denial is unwarranted and unjustified, and has been only out of malice, spite and the selfish desire of Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band of Indians to deprive the Plaintiffs of their just rights and dues, so that the Band and the Chief may be enriched, at the expense of the Plaintiffs."
- Fourthly, a pro rata share of the value of the holdings, savings, and any other entitlements or benefits which may accrue to the Plaintiffs as a result of their Indian status and Band Membership.
- Applicant was ordered to pay costs to the First Nation and did not do so.
- Applicant sees his role and responsibility as a Member as undecided.
- Applicant states desire to become a member because this is his right.
- Applicant claims to have always been a Status Indian (3F & 3G) but indicates that he is a C31 (11G). Records indicate that Applicant was enfranchised with his Father in 1944.
- Applicant states that he can best contribute to the band through small business and assisting in Band Operations.
- Applicant states, in relation to references, that 'I am intitled to membership'. No references are attached.
- In 1996 Applicant appeared on television show "The Fifth Estate" in a segment called "the Gatekeeper" and made disparaging remarks about the First Nation and the Chief. In that appearance the Applicant made a remark that the application form of the First Nation was good for toilet paper.
- Applicant was involved with others in petitioning to start another First Nation.
- Applicant led a protest against the First Nation.

SIGNIFICANT KNOWLEDGE OF FIRST NATION

(History, Customs, Traditions, Culture and Communal Life)

• Applicant claims to have read the Sawridge bylaws and codes.

CHARACTER AND LIFESTYLE

(Not a Detriment)

- Applicant advises that he entered the work force at age 15.
- Applicant states that he is Self Sufficient, living off of Pension.
- Has no Reference Letters

No.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Children

If yes, how many and ages.

Spouse

Yes - Bigstone, No Dependents.

If yes, what is current situation. - Married.

Physical Condition Good.

Decision

Membership Denied based on

- 1) Did not have any specific "right" to have name entered in the Membership List of the Sawridge First Nation.
- 2) The Council was not compelled to exercise its discretion to add name to the Membership List as it did not feel, in its judgment, that admission into Membership of the First Nation would be in the best interests and welfare of the First Nation.

Attachments

- Application
- Statement of Claim
- Federal Court of Appeal Decision
- May 12, 2944 Letter from P.J. Demers

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- 1910 Pay List
- Fifth Estate Transcript
- June 1, 1993 Letter from Maurice Stoney
- June 16, 1993 Lakeside Leader Article
- June 21, 1993 Scope Article
- June 13, 1993 Edmonton Journal Article
- June 21, 1993 Alberta Report Article
- August 18, 1993 Lakeside Leader Article
- August 12, 1993 Protest Handout
- February 29, 2000 Letter from Maurice Stoney
- October 18, 2000 KCFN Declaration
- April 4, 2001 Letter from Maurice Stoney
- March 21, 2001 Letter from Maurice Stoney

MANN & ROBINSON

Barristers + Solicitors + Notary Publics + Mediator+ Collaborative Law

LORNE G. MANN, B.A., LL.B.

MONICA A, ROBINSON, B.A., LL.B.*

VIA FAX - 780-849-3446 and

REGISTERED MAIL

December 22, 2011

SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION S06 Caribou Trail NE Box 326 Slave Lake, AB TOG 2A0

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Sawridge First Nation Applications Our File: 27484

Thank you for your correspondence dated December 7, 2011 wherein you advise that three of our clients have been denied membership into the Sawridge First Nation. Enclosed herewith please find a signed document from each of June Kolosky, Maurice Stoney and Aline Huzar wherein they exercise their rights under Section 12 of the Membership Rules to have the refusal decision reviewed.

I trust the above and enclosed to be in order and look forward to receipt of information concerning when each of the appeals shall take place.

email: law@mannrobinson.ca

Yours truly,

MANN & ROBINSON

Per:

Manica Robinson

MONICA A. ROBINSON MAR/pm Encs.

*Denotes Professional Corporation

This is Exhibit ' ${\cal T}$ ' referred to in the 1 Affidavit of HOLAND KOINN Sworn before ne this JUNE A Commissioner for Oaths in and for . the Province of Albena

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December 19, 2011

SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION 806 Cariboo Trel NE Box 326 SLAVE LAKE, AB TOG 2A0

Dear Chief and Council Members:

RE: Appeal of Decision

Further to the correspondence recently received from you wherein you advise that my application for membership in the Sawridge First Nation has been declined, this is notice of my request to have that decision appealed pursuant to Section 12 of the Membership Rules.

Yours truly,

MAURICE STONEY 500-4 St. SLAVE LAKE, AB TOO 2A1

Maurie Stori

June Kolosky Box 25 Chetwynd, BC TOC 110

December 20, 2011

SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION. 806 Cariboo Trall NE - Sawridge I.R. 150G Box.326 Slave Lake, Alberta TOG 2A0

Dear Chief Roland Twinn and Council:

I am writing to you regarding your December 07, 2011 letter in which you denied my application for membership in the Sawridge First Nation. The grounds on which I wish to appeal are:

(1) I do have "specific" rights to have my name entered in the Membership List of the Sawridge First Nation, and

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My Grandfather, Johnny Stoney, band member #18, was a contributing member of the Sawridge First Nation for 60 years. My Grandfather was a hardworking and industrious man. He ran a business at his home along the Slave River. It was a stopping place for travelers and freight haulers.

My mother, Mary McGillivray (nee) Stonsy, band member #29, was born into the Sawridge First Nation on September 01, 1902. She was a residential school survivor. I believe I do have "specific" rights to have my name entered in the Membership List of the Sawridge First Nation. It is my roots and my heritage.

I am involved with my Aboriginal community as the president of our local Friendship Centre. I am a member and an elder of the Chetwynd Community Committee who work with Nenen Dane Zaa Zone. I am an active member of our local community association where my husband and I work towards building and maintaining a strong community spirit. I was bookkeeper/payroll for Kolosky Farming and Logging for 30 years. I owned and operated a flower shop and I have excellent organizational and

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leadership skills. I am actively involved with my church and I am president of The Two Leaved Gates Ministries. I believe I would be a contributing member of the Sawridge First Nation and that it would be in their best interests and welfare to include me as a member.

Therefore, I am requesting your reconsideration of this issue. You may contact me at (250) 788-2673. Thank you for your time and consideration of this important matter.

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Aline Huzar 3953 Weisbrod Road Prince George, BC V2K 2S4

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I worked hard for my diploma in Business Administration and I took numerous management courses. During my working years I served as a cashier, retail clerk, customer service person and I was the program coordinator for the Prince George Metis Elders Society. I gained valuable experience in working with the elders. I thoroughly enjoyed my position as we were all of the Cree Nation.

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At the present time I am focusing on writing a book about my oldest son Michael. My son passed away on June 24, 2009. He was a very brave and courageous person. I also have twin sons who are very successful in their career choices. I believe I would be a contributing member of the Sawridge First Nation and that it would be in their best interests and welfare to include me as a member.

Therefore, I am requesting your reconsideration of this issue. Please feel free to contact me at (250) 962-2161. Thank you for your time and consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

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Aline Huzar



March 23, 2012

EDWARD H. MOLSTAD, Q.C. DIRECT DIAL: 780.423.8506 DIRECT FAX: 780.423.2870 EMAIL: emoistad@parlee.com OUR FILE #: 64203-1/EHM

Davis LLP 1201 Scotia Tower 2, Scotia Place 10060 - Jasper Avenue Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4E5

VIA E-MAIL ONLY

Attention: Ms Priscilla Kennedy

Dear Madam:

Re: Appeals of Maurice Felix Stoney, June Martha Kolosky and Aline Elizabeth Huzar

We would advise that we will be representing the Sawridge First Nation in relation to the above described appeals which are scheduled to be heard on April 21, 2012.

We have been advised that your offices will be representing the Appellants.

We are enclosing a copy of the Record in relation to each of the above matters which includes the Application for Membership and the Decision of the First Nation Council.

We are also enclosing copies of the Notices of Appeal enclosed with the letter from Mann & Robinson dated December 22, 2011 in relation to each one of the above individuals.

The appeal procedure which will be followed is enclosed.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our offices.

Yours truly,

PARLEE McLAWS LLP EDWARD H/MOLSTAD. O.C

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My Appointment Expires December 30.

1500 Manufife Place + 10160-101 Street + Edmonton, AB T5/4K1 Tel: 780.423.8500 Fax: 760.423.2870

APPEAL PROCEDURE

This procedure shall apply to the appeal of any person (herein called the "Appellant"), whose application for membership in the Sawridge First Nation (herein called the "First Nation") has been denied pursuant to Sawridge Membership Rules.

COMMENCEMENT OF APPEAL

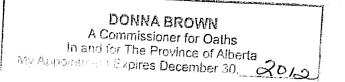
- 1. The Appeal shall be commenced by the Appellant serving a Notice of Appeal in writing to the First Nation Council at the Office of the First Nation within 15 days after the First Nation has communicated to the Appellant the Decision of the First Nation Council.
- 2. The Appeal shall be heard by the Electors of the First Nation in attendance (herein called the "Appeal Committee") at a meeting convened by First Nation Council for the purposes of hearing the Appeal.
- 3. The Appellant shall be given notice of the date, time and place of the hearing before the Appeal Committee.

APPEAL COMMITTEE

- 4. The Appeal Committee shall consist of the Electors of the First Nation in attendance at the Meeting convened by the First Nation Council for the purpose of hearing the Appeal.
- 5. The Appeal hearing shall be scheduled to be heard within 60 days of receipt of a Notice of Appeal subject to the right of the Appeal Committee to adjourn the hearing from time to time. Prior to the Appeal hearing commencing, the Appeal hearing may be postponed to a later date, that is more than 60 days after receipt of the Notice of Appeal, at the request of the Appellant.
- 6. The Chair of the Appeal Committee shall be the Speaker of the Assembly or if the Speaker is unable or unwilling to chair, a Member of the Appeal Committee elected by the Members of the Appeal Committee in attendance.
- 7. There shall be no quorum requirement for the Appeal Committee however, if the Appeal Committee is of the view that the number of Electors of the First Nation in attendance are not sufficient to conduct business, they may adjourn the hearing to such time as they decide in order to allow more Electors to attend.
 This is Exhibit * V * referred to in the

HEARING PROCEDURE

- 8. The Appeal Hearing shall be conducted by the Chair.
- 9. The <u>Chair shall decide all matters in relation to procedure</u>.



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- 10. The Appellant may be represented by Legal Counsel.
- 11. The Appeal Committee may retain Legal Counsel to assist in the conduct of the Appeal.
- 12. If the Appellant or the Appellant's representative does not attend at the commencement of the Appeal, the Appeal Committee may adjourn the Hearing for a reasonable period of time in order to allow the attendance of the Appellant or the Appellant's representative and after the expiration of a reasonable period of time, the Appeal Committee may proceed to hear the Appeal in the absence of the Appellant or the Appellant's representative.
- 13. The Chair of the Appeal Committee shall provide the Appellant and the Appeal Committee with a copy of the Application for Membership, the Decision of First Nation Council and the Notice of Appeal.
- 14. The Appeal Hearing procedure shall be as follows:
 - (a) The Chair shall introduce himself or herself;
 - (b) The Chair shall request the Appellant, and if represented, his/her Legal Counsel to introduce themselves;
 - (c) The Chair shall request that the Appeal Committee, and if represented, its Legal Counsel to introduce themselves;
 - (d) The Chair shall confirm that the Appellant has received a copy of the Application for Membership and the Decision of First Nation Council.
 - (e) The Chair shall confirm that the Appeal Committee has received a copy of the Application for Membership, the decision of First Nation Council and the Notice of Appeal;
 - (f) The Chair shall confirm that the Appellant, and if represented, his/her Legal Counsel have received a copy of the Appeal Procedure.
 - (g) The Chair shall ask the Appellant to make their submissions with respect to the Appeal;
 - (h) Following the submissions of the Appellant, the Chair shall ask if any Member of the Appeal Committee wishes to make submissions. If any Member of the Appeal Committee wishes to make submissions, they will be allowed an opportunity.
 - (i) The Appellant, and if represented, his/her Legal Counsel will then be asked if they have any submissions they wish to make in response to the submissions made by any Members of the Appeal Committee. If they wish to make submissions in response, they will be allowed an opportunity.
 - (j) When these submissions are concluded, the Appellant will be advised that the submissions shall be considered by the Appeal Committee and a Decision will be made and communicated to him/her within thirty (30) days of the date of the Hearing.
- 15. All persons shall be given a reasonable amount of time to make submissions, however, the Chair may, in his or her discretion set reasonable time limits in relation to any submissions.

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- 16. The Chair may adjourn the Appeal Committee Hearing at any time he or she deems it necessary.
- 17. There shall be no transcript or other record of the Appeal Committee Hearing except for the Application for Membership, the Decision of First Nation Council, the Notice of Appeal and any written submissions or other documentation presented to the Appeal Committee.

DELIBERATIONS

- 18. Immediately following the conclusion of the submissions to the Appeal Committee, the Appeal Committee shall meet in camera to make a decision.
- 19. The Appellant, and if represented, his/her Legal Counsel, shall be advised that the Appeal Committee may reconvene if they require further submissions and the Appellant and Legal Counsel shall be requested to wait outside of the meeting room of the Appeal Committee for up to a maximum of one hour while the Appeal Committee deliberates in camera to determine if any further submissions are required.
- 20. If during deliberations it is determined that no further submissions shall be required, the Appellant and if represented, his/her Legal Counsel shall be advised and shall be excused.
- 21. If during deliberations it is determined that further submissions are required, the Appeal Committee may reconvene and open the meeting for that purpose however the Appellant and if represented, his/her Legal Counsel shall be provided notice and an opportunity to attend.
- 22. During the deliberations in camera, the only persons who may be present are the Appeal Committee, the Chair and Legal Counsel if retained by the Appeal Committee and any other person the Appeal Committee permits.
- 23. There shall be no recording or notes taken with respect to the in camera deliberations of the Appeal Committee.

DECISION BASED ON CONSENSUS

24. During the deliberations, any Member of the Appeal Committee may make a proposal either to allow the Appeal and grant Membership to the Appellant or to dismiss the Appeal and uphold the decision to deny the Appellant Membership. Any such proposal shall include reasons for the proposed decision. Once the proposal is made, it shall be discussed by the Appeal Committee and any member of the Appeal Committee may propose amendments or changes. The Appeal Committee will endeavor to reach a consensus decision on the disposition of the Appeal. A consensus will be reached if all of the Members of the Appeal Committee present agree that the decision and the reasons for the decision are acceptable. A consensus may only be considered to be reached if the decision and reasons are written out and every person who is in attendance at the deliberations of the Appeal Committee has indicated their acceptance of the decision. If

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a consensus decision is reached, the written decision with the reasons shall be provided to the Appellant and if represented, his/her Legal Counsel.

25. If the deliberations continue for more than two hours and the Appeal Committee has failed to reach a consensus, the Appeal Committee may continue to deliberate however, after this time has expired, the deliberation shall end if any Member of the Appeal Committee makes a motion to end the deliberations and that Motion is passed by a majority of the Appeal Committee in attendance. If the deliberations are ended in this fashion, then the Members of the Appeal Committee in attendance shall vote by way of secret ballot to either allow the Appeal or to dismiss the Appeal. If a vote by secret ballot is held, the decision of the majority shall be the decision of the Appeal Committee however, in the case of a tie, the Appeal shall be dismissed. When a decision is made as a result of a secret ballot, a Notice of Decision shall be provided to the Appealant indicating only that the Appeal Committee allowed or denied the Appeal.

DECISIONS

- 26. The Appellant shall be provided with Notice of Decision of the Appeal Committee within 30 days of the Appeal Hearing. The Notice of Decision shall be mailed to the mailing address provided by the Appellant on the Application for Membership Form.
- 27. If the decision of the Appeal Committee is to allow the Appeal in relation to the Application for Membership, the name of the Appellant shall be entered on the First Nation Membership List.
- 28. If the decision of the Appeal Committee is to dismiss the Appeal, the Appellant shall have no further right to apply for Membership in the First Nation.
- 29. The decision of the Appeal Committee is final and binding and not subject to review.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OF MAURICE FELIX STONEY TO THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION

BETWEEN:

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MAURICE FELIX STONEY

This is Exhibit W referred to Affidavit of TOLAND 120 Sworn before the this 34 of TUNE AD, 20		Appellant
A Commissioner for paths in and the Province of Alberta	SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION	Respondent

Appeal to the Appeal Committee Composed of the Electors of the Sawridge First Nation

DAVIS LLP.

1201 Scotia 2 Tower 10060 Jasper Avenue Edmonton, AB, T5J 4E5 Attn : Priscilla Kennedy Tel: (780) 426-5300 Fax: (780) 702-4383 Solicitor for Maurice Felix Stoney

PARLEE McLAWS LLP

1500 Manulife Place 10180 - 101 Street Edmonton, AB, T5J 4K1 Attn: Edward Molstad, Q.C. Tel: (780) 423-8500 Fax: (780) 423-2870 Solicitor for Sawridge First Nation I. FACTS

1. Maurice Felix Stoney has been denied membership in the Sawridge First Nation since Bill C-31 recognized changes to the *Indian Act* effective April 17, 1985. His father died in December, 1983 just prior to section 15 of the *Constitution Act*, 1982, taking effect. There was no resolution for his father, William Stoney before his death. Maurice is 71 years of age.

2. The Federal Court of Appeal has noted that "aging" individuals referred to in its judgments, who have been denied membership, are unlikely to receive the benefit of Band membership before their death: *Sawridge Band v. Canada*, 2004 FCA 16, para. 51. [Tab 1]

3. Johnny Stoney (also known as Johnny Stephens), grandfather of Maurice, was born into the Alexander Band at Riverre Qui Barre in 1872. Like many others in *Treaty No. 6*, following the events of the Northwest Rebellion in 1885, they moved north into the territory where *Treaty No. 8* was signed in 1899. In or about 1895, Johnny Stoney moved to Lesser Slave Lake and married an Indian woman, Henriette Sinclair from Lesser Slave Lake, settling on the Lesser Slave River and becoming a member of the Lesser Slave Lake Band with Chief Kinosayoo.

4. Negotiations of *Treaty No. 8* occurred at Lesser Slave Lake with Chief Kinosayoo signing in 1899 as Chief of the Indians at Lesser Slave Lake, including those who became the Sawridge Band with a Reserve given in 1912/3: Dennis Madill "Treaty Research Report Treaty Eight (1899)" excerpts. [Tab 2]

5. A discussion ensued with Indian Affairs from 1903 until 1910 when Johnny Stoney, along with many other members of Alexander's Band were recognized as having transferred to Kinosayoo's Band: Public Archives [Tab 3] These families that transferred were the Potskin's, Thomasis, Bellerose, Hamelin, Moss Bag, Oskinigue, and Wendigoo's widow.

6. From 1903 until 1920, the issue of Johnny Stoney possessing his lands along the Lesser Slave River in severalty was discussed by Indian Affairs. Lands in severalty is set out in *Treaty* No. 8 which provides:

...individual Indians as may prefer to live apart from band reserves, Her Majesty undertakes to provide land in severalty to the extent of 160 acres to each Indian, ...

Correspondence in Indian Affairs regarding Johnny Stoney lands. [Tab 4]

7. Johnny Stoney was advised in 1920 that he could occupy his lands as part of the Sawridge Indian Reserve: [Tab 5]

8. Maurice Stoney, son of William Stoney, grandson of Johnny Stoney, has lived in Slave Lake as have many other members of Sawridge, adjacent to the Sawridge First Nation all of his life. Maurice has a knowledge of Cree culture and history and knows the Sawridge First Nation. He is married to a member of the Bigstone Cree Nation.

9. William Stoney was enfranchised, as was his family, in 1944. Enfranchisement removed him and his family from the paylist of the Sawridge First Nation. Enfranchised Indians were restored to their Bands on April 17, 1985.

II. RIGHT TO MEMBERSHIP

10. On April 17, 1982, the Constitution was repatriated and the Constitution Act, 1982 was passed effective April 17, 1982. [Tab 6]

11. The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms was Part I of the Constitution Act, 1982. Section 15, came into force on April 17, 1985 (see s. 32(2)) and it prohibits discrimination for every individual in Canada including aboriginals. This has resulted in required amendments to correct discrimination in the Indian Act effective April 17, 1985 (Bill C-31) and again in Bill C-3 (January 31, 2011): Indian Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. I-5 as am. 2010, c. 18 [Tab 7]

12. On February 8, 2012, the Federal Court of Appeal held in *Poitras v. Sawridge Band*, 2012 FCA 47 [Tab 8], that these amendments to the *Indian Act*, contained in Bill C-31, were constitutional and binding on Sawridge entitling individuals to membership as stated by the case manager to be "automatic membership in the Indian Band with which they were connected": see *Sawridge Band v. Canada*, 2004 FCA 16 [Tab 1].

13. Sawridge is not permitted to determine membership related to persons whose membership was restored by Section 15 of the *Charter* through Bill C-31 (and Bill C-3) since these provisions are constitutional, occurred effective April 15, 1985, and Sawridge is bound by

the Constitution: *Sawridge First Nation v. Canada*, 2009 FCA 123 [Tab 9]. Enfranchisement and its removal effective April 17, 1985 entitles Maurice Stoney to membership under section 6(1)(c.1). The Sawridge Membership Rules only apply to the Band List after July 4, 1985.

14. However as noted by the Federal Court of Appeal at paragraph 51 of *Poitras* [Tab 8] Sawridge has delayed taking the steps legally and constitutionally required:

... the individuals who have been denied membership in the appellant Band are aging and, at the present rate of progress, some are unlikely to ever benefit from amendments that were adopted to redress their discriminatory exclusion from Band membership. ...

15. It is submitted that after 30 years, Maurice is entitled to membership in Sawridge.

ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 21st day of April, 2012 by Priscilla Kennedy, DAVIS LLP., solicitor for June Martha Kolosky and Aline Elizabeth Huzar.

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Bertha L'Hirondelle, suing on her own behalf and on behalf of all other members of the Sawridge Band (*Plaintiffs*) (*Appellants*)

v.

Her Majesty the Queen (Defendant) (Respondent)

and

Native Council of Canada, Native Council of Canada (Alberta), Native Women's Association of Canada and Non-Status Indian Association of Alberta (Interveners) (Respondents)

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This was an appeal from a Trial Judge's order granting a mandatory interlocutory injunction sought by the Crown, requiring the appellants to register the names of 11 individuals on the Sawridge Band List and to accord them all the rights and privileges attaching to Band membership. In an action commenced on January 15, 1986, the appellants sought a declaration that the provisions of Bill C-31(*An Act to amend the Indian Act*) that confer an entitlement to Band membership are inconsistent with section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*, and are therefore of no force and effect. Bill C-31 granted certain persons whose names were omitted or deleted from the Indian Register by the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs prior to April 17, 1985, entitlement to status under the *Indian Act*. By notice of motion, the Crown applied for an interlocutory mandatory injunction requiring the Sawridge Band to comply with the provisions of the Act unless and until they are determined to be unconstitutional. By order dated March 27, 2003, Hugesæn J. granted the requested injunction. In appealing the order of Hugessen J., the appellants raised two issues: (1) whether the Band's membership application process complied with the requirements of the Act,

and (2) whether the Crown had standing and had met the test for granting interlocutory injunctive relief.

Held, the appeal should be dismissed.

(1) The Crown's notice of motion for a mandatory interlocutory injunction was based on the appellants' refusal to comply with the legislation pending determination of whether the legislation was constitutional. It was agreed that the interpretation of the legislation and whether or not the appellants were in compliance with it was relevant to this litigation. Courts do not normally make determinations of law as a condition precedent to the granting of an interlocutory injunction, but that is what occurred here. It was appropriate for Hugessen J. to have made a preliminary determination of law that was final and conclusive for purposes of the action, subject to being varied on appeal.

Where a substantive question of law is at issue, even if it is decided by a case management judge, the applicable standard of review will be correctness. Hugessen J. was not satisfied that subsections 10(4) and (5) of the Indian Act are as clear and unambiguous as the appellants suggested. He correctly interpreted these provisions in accordance with the modern approach to statutory construction which states that the words of an Act are to be read in their entire context and in their grammatical and ordinary sense harmoniously with the scheme of the Act, the object of the Act, and the intention of Parliament. The term "acquired rights" which appears as a marginal note beside subsection 10(4) is a convenient "shorthand" to identify those individuals who, by reason of paragraph 11(1)(c) of the Act, became entitled to automatic membership in the Indian Band with which they were connected. The instant paragraph 11(1)(c)came into force, i.e. April 17, 1985, these individuals were entitled to have their names entered on the membership list of their Band. The words "by reason only of" in subsection 10(4) could allow a band to create restrictions on continued membership for situations that arose or actions taken after the membership code came into effect. However, the code cannot operate to deny membership to those individuals who come within paragraph 11(1)(c). There is no automatic membership in a band, but there is an automatic entitlement to membership. The words "commencing on April 17, 1985" only indicate that subsection 11(1) was not retroactive to before April 17, 1985. As of that date, the individuals in question acquired an automatic entitlement to membership in the Sawridge Band. For these persons entitled to membership, a simple request to be included in the Band's membership list is all that is required. The fact that the individuals in question did not complete a Sawridge Band membership application is irrelevant. Requiring acquired rights individuals to comply with the Sawridge Band membership code, in which preconditions had been created to membership, was in contravention of the Act.

(2) The Crown was seeking an injunction, not only on behalf of the individuals denied the benefits of a validly enacted legislation, but on behalf of the public interest in

having the laws of Canada obeyed. It has traditionally had standing to seek injunctions to ensure that public bodies, such as an Indian band council, follow the law. Having regard to the Crown's standing at common law, statutory authority is unnecessary. Hugessen J. correctly found that the Crown had standing to seek the injunction. Moreover, the Crown was seeking essentially the same relief on the injunction application as in the main action. Further, section 44 of the *Federal Courts Act* confers a very broad jurisdiction on the Federal Court, even to granting an injunction where it is not being asked to grant final relief. That being so, the Court surely has jurisdiction to grant an injunction where it will itself make a final determination on an interconnected issue. The requested injunction was therefore sufficiently connected to the final relief claimed by the Crown.

The test for granting an interlocutory injunction, as adopted by the Supreme Court of Canada in Manitoba (Attorney General) v. Metropolitan Stores Ltd.; and RJR--MacDonald Inc. v. Canada (Attorney General), is threefold. First, there must be a serious question to be tried. Such test should be applied to an interlocutory injunction application, whether it is prohibitory or mandatory. The Crown's argument that Bill C-31 is constitutional was neither frivolous nor vexatious. There was, therefore, a serious question to be tried. Second, it must be determined whether the applicant would suffer irreparable harm if the application were refused. Ordinarily the public interest would only be considered in the third branch of the test, but since the government was the applicant in this motion for interlocutory relief, the public interest had to be considered in the second stage as well. Allowing the appellants to ignore the requirements of the Act would irreparably harm the public interest in seeing that the law is obeyed. Until a law is struck down as unconstitutional or an interim constitutional exemption is granted by a court of competent jurisdiction, citizens and organizations must obey it. Further the individuals who have been denied Band membership are aging and may never benefit from amendments adopted to redress their discriminatory exclusion. The public interest in preventing discrimination by public bodies will be irreparably harmed if the requested injunction is denied and the appellants are able to continue to ignore their obligations under Bill C-31, pending a determination of its constitutionality. The appellants argued that there could not be irreparable harm because the Crown would not have waited 16 years after the commencement of the action to seek an injunction. The question of whether delay in bringing an injunction application is fatal is a matter of discretion for the motions judge. There was no suggestion that Hugessen J. did not act judicially in the exercise of his discretion. The third branch of the test is the balance of convenience. In the Metropolitan Stores case, it was held that interlocutory injunctions should not be granted in public law cases, "unless, in the balance of convenience, the public interest is taken into consideration and given the weight it should carry". In this case, the public interest in seeing that laws are obeyed and that prior discrimination is remedied weighs in favour of granting the injunction requested by the Crown. There is a clear public interest in seeing that legislation is obeyed until its application is stayed by court order or the legislation is set aside on final judgment. On the other hand, the Sawridge Band will suffer little or

no damage by admitting nine elderly ladies and one gentleman to membership. Therefore, the balance of convenience favoured granting the injunction.

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APPEAL from a Trial Division decision (*Sawridge Band v. Canada*, 2003 FCT 347 (Can1.11), [2003] 4 F.C. 748; [2003] 3 C.N.L.R. 344; (2003), 232 F.T.R. 54) granting a mandatory interlocutory injunction sought by the Crown, requiring the appellants to enter on the Sawridge Band List the names of 11 individuals and to accord them all the rights and privileges attaching to Band membership. Appeal dismissed.

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The following are the reasons for judgment rendered in English by

[1]Rothstein J.A.: By order dated March 27, 2003 [2003 FCT 347 (CanL11), [2003] 4 F.C. 748], Hugessen J. of the Trial Division (as it then was) granted a mandatory interlocutory injunction sought by the Crown, requiring the appellants to enter or register on the Sawridge Band List the names of 11 individuals who, he found, had acquired the right to be members of the Sawridge Band before it took control of its Band List on July 8, 1985, and to accord the 11 individuals all the rights and privileges attaching to Band membership. The appellants now appeal that order.

HISTORY

[2]The background to this appeal may be briefly stated. An Act to amend the Indian Act, R.S.C., 1985, (1st Supp.), c. 32 (Bill C-31), was given Royal Assent on June 28, 1985. However, the relevant provisions of Bill C-31 were made retroactive to April 17, 1985, the date on which section 15, the equality guarantee, of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms [being Part I of the Constitution Act, 1982, Schedule B, Canada Act 1982, 1982, c. 11 (U.K.) [R.S.C., 1985, Appendix II, No. 44]] (the Charter) came into force.

[3]Among other things, Bill C-31 granted certain persons an entitlement to status under the *Indian Act*, R.S.C., 1985, c. 1-5 (the Act), and, arguably, entitlement to membership in an Indian Band. These persons included those whose names were omitted or deleted from the Indian Register by the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs prior to April 17, 1985, in accordance with certain provisions of the Act as they read prior to that date. The disqualified persons included an Indian woman who married a man who was not registered as an Indian as well as certain other persons disqualified by provisions that Parliament considered to be discriminatory on account of gender. The former provisions read [section 12]: an interlocutory stage (*RJR--MacDonald*, at page 337), I think he was correct to do so. However, the fact that the Crown is asking the Court to require the appellants' to take positive action will have to be considered in assessing the balance of convenience.

[47]In this case, the Crown's argument that Bill C-31 is constitutional is neither frivolous nor vexatious. There is, therefore, a serious question to be tried.

Irreparable Harm

[48]Ordinarily, the public interest is considered only in the third branch of the test. However, where, as here, the government is the applicant in a motion for interlocutory relief, the public interest must also be considered in the second stage (*RJR*--*MacDonald, supra*, at page 349).

[49]Validly enacted legislation is assumed to be in the public interest. Courts are not to investigate whether the legislation actually has such an effect (*RJR-- MacDonald*, at pages 348-349).

[50]Allowing the appellants to ignore the requirements of the Act would irreparably harm the public interest in seeing that the law is obeyed. Until a law is struck down as unconstitutional or an interim constitutional exemption is granted by a court of competent jurisdiction, citizens and organizations must obey it (*Metropolitan Stores*, *supra*, at page 143, quoting *Morgentaler et al. v. Ackroyd et al.* (1983), 42 O.R. (2d) 659 (H.C.), at pages 666-668).

[51]Further, the individuals who have been denied membership in the appellant Band are aging and, at the present rate of progress, some are unlikely ever to benefit from amendments that were adopted to redress their discriminatory exclusion from Band membership. The public interest in preventing discrimination by public bodies will be irreparably harmed if the requested injunction is denied and the appellants are able to continue to ignore their obligations under Bill C-31, pending a determination of its constitutionality.

[52] The appellants argue that there cannot be irreparable harm because, if there was, the Crown would not have waited 16 years after the commencement of the action to seek an injunction. The Crown submits that it explained to Hugessen J. the reasons for the delay and stated that the very length of the proceedings had in fact contributed to the irreparable harm as the individuals in question were growing older and, in some cases, falling ill.

[53]The question of whether delay in bringing an injunction application is fatal is a matter of discretion for the motions judge. There is no indication that Hugessen J. did not act judicially in exercising his discretion to grant the injunction despite the timing of the motion.

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PREFACE

With the advent of prospectors and settlers to the Lake Athabasca, Great Slave Lake, and parts of the Peace River region during the Klondike gold rush of 1897-98, the federal government prepared to extend the Indian treaty system to the unceded area north of Treaty Six and south of Great Slave Lake. The negotiations for Treaty Eight were conducted during the summer of 1899 with Cree, Beaver and Chipewyan bands and subsequent adhesions were signed between 1900 and 1914. It was estimated that Treaty Eight negotiations would encompass 2700 Indians and 1700 mixed bloods or Métis, whose rights also had to be considered. Hence, two commissions were established: a treaty commission to draft the treaty and secure adhesion of the various tribes and a separate half-breed commission to deal with Métis claims concurrently and in close consultation with the treaty commissioner.

When Treaty Eight was negotiated in 1899, the federal government found Indians of two major language groups residing in the treaty area. They were Crees and Athapaskans (or Dené), including Chipewyan, Beavers, Slaveys, Dogribs and Yellowknives. Cree-speaking people lived in various locations throughout what is now northern Alberta. Chipewyans inhabited the eastern section of the treaty area, mainly in the vicinity of Lake Athabasca. Beaver Indians occupied the western part of the treaty area in what is now British Columbia and along the Peace River in Alberta. Slaveys, Dogribs and Yellowknives lived in the northern parts.

The federal government's desire for substantially uniform treaties, with variations dependent upon local conditions or Indian demands, was evident during the Treaty Eight negotiations. The treaty commissioners were ultimately given considerable latitude in determining the precise terms of the treaty and the region to be encompassed and did consider altering treaty provisions. But, in the final analysis, despite the fact that the Indian Affairs Department had received advice that the Prairie treaties could not be applied to the north, the written terms of the treaty were based essentially on Treaty Seven, with some changes reflecting local conditions. In the aftermath of the negotiations, the terms of Treaty Eight were subject to different interpretations regarding the nature and fulfilment of the obligations incurred by the federal government.

council P.C. 2749, dated 6 December 1898, represented a dramatic change from the province's previous policy of thwarting treaties.³² After entering Confederation in 1871, B.C. made no real effort to secure a surrender of Indian title and, in contrast to Dominion policy, seldom granted Indians more than 20 acres per family rather than the 640 acres standard instituted in the Northwest Territories under the "numbered" treaties.³³ Before the terms and conditions of Treaty Eight could be extended in B.C., however, the commissioners had to request that the province "formally acquiesce in the action." In 1876, an agreement between the federal government and the province of B.C. established the Joint Allotment Commission and stipulated that the province would be responsible for negotiating with the Indians for title to their land and allocating reserves.³⁴ Hence, the province's participation in fulfilling the land provisions of Treaty Eight would be limited. Nevertheless, Sifton reported on 30 November 1898 the importance of B.C. being included in the treaty:

As it is in the interest of the Province of British Columbia, as well as that of the Dominion, that the country to be treated for should be thrown open to development and the lives and property of those who may enter therein safe-guarded by the making of provision which will remove all hostile feeling from the minds of the Indians and lead them to peacefully acquiesce in the changing conditions, the undersigned would suggest that the Government of British Columbia be apprised of the intention to negotiate the proposed treaty; and as it is of utmost importance that the Commissioner should have full power to give such guarantees as may be found necessary in regard to the setting apart of land for reserves, the undersigned would further recommend that the Government of British Columbia be asked to formally acquiesce in the action taken by Your Excellency's Government in the matter and to intimate its readiness to confirm any reserves which it may be found necessary to set apart.³⁵

A month later, Commissioner McKenna indicated that a dispatch had been forwarded to the government of British Columbia asking it to confirm any reserves in that section of the province which would be included in the treaty.³⁶

Treaty Negotiations

The first treaty negotiations were scheduled for 8 June 1899 near the present site of

Grouard on Lesser Slave Lake, but because of poor weather and transportation problems the first meeting was not arranged until 20 June. However, Commissioner Ross arrived on 6 June and in the interim explained the purpose of the treaty and requested the assembled Indians to elect a chief and headmen to represent them.³⁷ Kinosayoo was chosen chief, and the four headmen were Moostoos, Felix Giroux, Weecheewayis and Charles Neesuetasis. The negotiations with the Lesser Slave Lake Indians have been documented extensively. Charles Mair published his notes of the discussions as part of a book on the treaty expeditions, an *Edmonton Bulletin* correspondent reported on the meetings, and Bishop Grouard included a chapter of the proceedings in a book on his life in the north.³⁸ Also there are several reports by the commissioners which provide summaries of the agreements from a government perspective.

Generally, the negotiations at Lesser Sale Lake reflect the commissioners' lack of knowledge of the northern Indians and the Indians' concern for their hunting, fishing and trapping rights and their confinement on reserves. James K. Cornwall ("Peace River Jim"), active in several northern developments, was present at the negotiations and in 1937 signed affidavits concerning Treaty Eight.³⁹ He reported that "the Commissioners had unfavourably impressed the Indians, due to lack of knowledge of the bush Indians' mode of life, by quoting Indian conditions on the Prairies."⁴⁰ Furthermore, he suggested that during the negotiations the Indians emphasized that they would not sign treaty unless there were assurances that their hunting, fishing and trapping rights were guaranteed.⁴¹ Kinosayoo and Moostoos finally agreed to the terms, but there were several concerns. The report of the commissioners indicated the promises made to persuade the Indians to accept treaty:

Our chief difficulty was the apprehension that the hunting and fishing privileges were to be curtailed. The provision in the treaty under which ammunition and twine is to be furnished went far in the direction of quieting the fears of the Indians, for they admitted that it would be unreasonable to furnish the means of hunting and fishing if laws were to be enacted which would make hunting and fishing so restricted as to render it impossible to make a livelihood by such pursuits. But over and above the provision, we had to solemnly assure them that only such laws as to hunting and fishing as were in the interest of the Indians and were found necessary in order to protect the fish and fur-bearing animals would be made, and that they would be as free to hunt and fish after the treaty as they would be if they never entered into it ... the Indians were generally averse to being placed on reserves. It would have been impossible to have made a treaty if we had not assured them that there was no intention of confining them to reserves. We had to very clearly explain to them that the provisions for reserves and allotments of land were made for their protection, and to secure to them in perpetuity a fair portion of the land ceded, in the event of settlement advancing.⁴²

The Half-breed Scrip Commission, whose mandate it was to work in close relationship with the treaty commission and to investigate the Métis claims and determine their acceptability, also encountered serious problems. The large Métis population at Lesser Slave Lake objected to the type of scrip offered. Rather than being made payable to the bearer on demand, it was to be non-transferable and non-negotiable except by a proper legal assignment. To protect the Métis against speculators, the federal government had issued this type of script for the 1899 negotiations. Father Lacombe urged the Métis to protect their interests by accepting the scrip, but they refused. Members of both commissions met and agreed that they would have to comply with Métis demands for transferable scrip, lest the continuation of the treaty negotiations be affected.⁴³ Thus, scrip was issued for either \$240 or 240 acres of land to half-breed heads of families and their children. Sifton was attacked by the opposition for consenting to Métis demands and conceded that the commissioners had "really exceeded their instructions" but the pacification of the half-breeds was critical in his decision:

It must be remembered that the financial benefit to the half-breeds is not the primary object the Government had in view in making this arrangement. I say that is not the primary object. It is desirable that the provision which we make for this scrip being given to the half-breeds should be as great a benefit to the half-breeds as possible. That would commend itself to the common sense of any member of this committee. But the main reason for making this arrangement is to pacify and keep pacified the North-West Territories, to settle a claim which must be settled before the people of Canada can make a treaty with the Indians of that district – and the Indians of that district must have a treaty made with them, otherwise we should be in danger of having an Indian trouble on our hands, the very slightest of which would cost us two or three times the amount of scrip we issue.⁴⁴

The report of the Half-breed Commission for 30 September 1899 indicated that 1,195 scrip certificates for money, representing a value of \$286,800, and 48 land scrip certificates, covering an area of 11,520 acres, were issued. About half of the scrips issued in 1899 were at Lesser Slave Lake, but there were also several scrips distributed at Fort Vermilion, Fort Chipewyan, Peace River Landing and other points.⁴⁵ Moreover, the commissioners stated that, excepting the small population of half-breeds in the vicinity of White Fish and Sturgeon Lakes, who refused to meet the commissioners at Lesser Slave Lake, the entire Métis population in the Treaty Eight area had been dealt with satisfactorily.⁴⁶ The report, however, failed to point out which Métis had actually joined treaty.

Treaty Adhesions and Admissions

The written terms and conditions of Treaty Eight were finalized during the negotiations at Lesser Slave Lake, and the treaty commissioners decided to make adhesions at all of the other trading posts rather than negotiate several treaties.⁴⁷ The commissioners expected that once the Lesser Slave Lake Indians signed treaty there would be less difficulty in obtaining adhesions of the others. Therefore, there is little documentation available regarding the nine meetings in 1899, the four meetings in 1900 that occurred from Fort St. John to Fond du Lac and from Fort Resolution to Wabasca, and the meetings at Fort Nelson in 1910. In 1914, the Saulteaux and Hudson's Hope Bands were merely admitted to treaty. Moreover, several Indians were admitted to treaty in the isolated communities during the period following treaty negotiations.

There were some interesting developments during the 1899 meetings that should be noted. Since the commissioners were behind schedule after the Lesser Slave Lake negotiations, they divided the treaty party in two so that all the designated points could be reached before the end of the summer. Four of the locations, however, had to be left until the following summer: Fort St. John, Sturgeon Lake, Upper Hay River (Slavey Band) and Fort Resolution. David Laird led one of the treaty parties to Peace River Landing, where a Cree band led by Duncan Tustawits indicated some concern that if ¹ D.J. Hall, "Clifford Sifton and Canadian Indian Administration 1869-1905" in As Long as the Sun Shines and Water Flows, edited by Ian A.L. Getty and A.S. Lussier (Vancouver, 1983), p. 123.

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⁴ Ibid., Forget to McKenna, 16 April 1898..

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¹⁴ Canada, Privy Council, O.C. No. 2749, 6 December 1898.

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¹⁶ Ibid., McKenna to David Laird, 5 December 1898.

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^{NO.} Originally, some Cree and Saulteaux Indians entered the Northwest in the early 1800s with the westward expansion of the fur trade. There is evidence that some families of the Saulteau Band were involved in the Frog Lake Massacre during the North-West rebellion in 1885. After the rebellion they drifted further west for fear of reprisals from the North West Mounted Police and the federal government. Eventually, the families split into two groups with one settling near Moberly Lake.

^{81.} DIAND, Annual Report, 1915, p. 84."Report of Henry A. Conroy, Inspector for Treaty No. 8."

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¹⁰⁴ *Ibid.*, pp. 5-6.

various treaty functions such as paying annuities, admitting Indians to treaty, instructing them in the art of farming, providing medical assistance and aiding Indians generally in the transition from a nomadic to a more settled life style. These duties were all accomplished in one yearly visit at each post.

The annual visits by the Indian agents to the various posts are well documented. Early Indian Affairs correspondence for the Lesser Slave Lake agency, for example, has revealed that the Indian agents did not always fulfill their responsibilities regarding treaty obligations. There were complaints from the Indians that they were not being taught how to farm, and it was not until 1929 that a farm instructor was appointed for the Lesser Slave Lake agency. Furthermore, there were reports, particularly from bands located in the more isolated areas of the agency, that they were not receiving medical assistance.²⁶ The Fort Smith agency was successful in increasing the government's presence in the north and performing several public services, but the farming experiments failed. The bands of the Fort McKay, Fort Chipewyan and Fond du Lac areas were not interested in agriculture because of the scarcity of arable farm land in the region.²⁷

To improve the level of assistance and to provide more contact with the more distant bands, the Great Slave Lake agency was established in 1923 and included the Fort Resolution, Snowdrift and Hay River Bands. Also, in 1924, an agency was opened at Fort McMurray to replace the Fort Smith agency and was responsible for the Treaty Eight bands in northern Alberta, the Fond du Lac Band in Saskatchewan, and the Fort Smith Band in the Northwest Territories.²⁸ Finally, the Fort St. John agency was inaugurated in 1934 and comprised those bands located in the Peace River block.

Reserve Land Entitlement

The allotment of reserves in the Alberta portion of the Treaty Eight area occurred as early as 1900, when Chief Kinosayoo of the Lesser Slave Lake Band requested reserve surveys and farming provisions. Moostoos, a band councillor, indicated the reason that treaty was accepted in 1899 was "that we saw we had to change our way of living, that furs were getting scarce and also moose, and that if we had cattle... we would better off."²⁹ Although the federal government did not wish Indians to give up hunting immediately, the possibility of conflicting claims between settlers and Indians prompted the early reserve allocations.³⁰ It became apparent with the first surveys that the treaty clauses regarding reserve land had been misunderstood. Kinosayoo and Moostoos asked for " ... all the land lying for many miles back of the whole southern shore of Lesser Slave Lake" – an area greater than their treaty entitlement.³¹ Treaty Commissioner J.A. Macrae explained to them that they could not receive any more land than they were entitled to under Treaty. The Indians complied and selected two reserves at Driftpile and Sucker Creek and several parcels of land in severalty.³² (See chart for reference to reserves for Kinosayoo's band).

There is further evidence that the selection of reserves conflicted with settler interests. When the Sawridge Band requested a reserve in 1911, area settlers protested the allocation of good agricultural land because further settlement might be inhibited.³³ They argued, moreover, that the Indians should be allotted a single block of land outside the area already surveyed, leaving the good agricultural land open for settlement.³⁴ Similar conflicts with settlers' rights at Fort McKay and Swan River resulted in the Indians losing sections of reserve land.³⁵

Generally, the Indian Affairs agents and administrators supported Indian rights, while those of the settlers were represented by the Department of the Interior. In some cases, however, the main concern of the Indian Affairs administrators was to reduce survey expenses, and this led to a policy of discouraging Indians from choosing land in severalty.³⁶ Several families, nevertheless, took advantage of the provision for lands in severalty, and several bands split their land entitlement into many smaller reserves, with the result that the reserves of Treaty Eight are larger in number but smaller in size than the reserves in the rest of Alberta.³⁷

The Treaty Eight commissioners expected that the Indians of the Athabasca District

would select reserves only for agricultural purposes.³⁸ In the immediate post-treaty period, however, hunting, fishing and trapping were more reliable and the level of assistance to Indian farmers was inadequate. Most bands in the Athabasca region, therefore, did not select reserve land because of its agricultural potential but because it was adjacent to good fishing or trapping areas. Those bands which attempted farming generally failed due to lack of assistance from the Indian Affairs Department; in some cases, there was pressure to surrender their lands to settlers who might put it to better use.

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Sucker Creek (originally part of Kinosayoo's Band)	1901	#150A		
Grouard (originally part of Kinosayoo's Band)	1901	#150B; #150C; #150D		
Swan River (originally part of Kinosayoo's Band)	1902	#150E; #150F		
Sawridge (originally part of Kinosayoo's Band)	1912	#150G; #150H		
Duncan's	1905	#151A; #151K		
Beavers of Horse Lake and Clear Hills	1905	#152B; #152C		
Sturgeon Lake	1908	#154; #154A; #154B		
Utikuma (Whitefish Lake	1908	#155; #155A; #155B		
Little Red River	1912	#162; #215		
Tall Cree	1912	#163; #173; #173A		
Boyer River (Ambrose Tete Noire)	1912	#164; #164A		
Wabasca (Bigstone)	1913	#166; #166A; #166B; #166C; #166D; # 183		

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development of the northern hinterland.^{#6} During these developments, the rights of settlers and industrialists received more attention. In B.C., for example, provincial involvement in northeastern B.C. has resulted in the establishment of major economic development programs, including the construction of an oil pipeline from the Peace River to supply interior B.C., hydroelectric development, and proposals for the building of the Alaska Highway natural gas pipeline. The Indians have expressed their fears concerning the scale and pace of industrial development in their hunting and trapping lands and have viewed recent developments as a further abrogation of their treaty rights.

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^{30.} *Ibid.*, J.A.J. McKenna to Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, 20 February 1900; David Laird to Secretary of Indian Affairs, 5 February 1900; J. Macrae to Secretary of Indian Affairs, 10 November 1900.

³¹ *Ibid.*, J. Macrae to Secretary of Indians Affairs, 10 November 1900.

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⁴³ Ibid.

⁴⁴ British North America Act, 1930.

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Ottima, July 7th, 1913.

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Indians.

Peterring to your letter of the 22nd April Last, I beg to state that the share of the Indians, formerly members of Alexander's Band, who were transforred none years ago to Treaty 5, has been deducted from the Capital funds of Alexander's Band and placed to the credit of the Bands into membership in which they have been admitted, as per Sub-Section 2 of Section 17 of the Indian Act.

Your obuilent servant,

N. B. L. Donald, Esq., M.D., Indian Agont,

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Ottawa, 15th April, 1905.

The Deputy Supt. General .-

With reference to Kr. Ponton's memorandum herounder of the 6th inst., I beg to state that John Stöphens being a member of Ohlef Alexander's band is already provided with land in the resorve of that band, No.154; at Riviere qui Barre, and holds his land in common with the other members of the band.

It is shown, however, that he has located himself at Lesser Slave Lake, where he has shown considerable energy, is entirely self-supporting, and is filling a necessary public need by providing a good winter stopping place between Athebasea Landing and Lesser Slave Lake. It would appear desirable that he should be encouraged.

If the land on which he now located is not scoured to him as an Indian Reserve it will run continual risk of being taken possession of by white men. There appears to be no objection why the said land should not be surveyed and confirmed as an Indian Reserve with the view of allowing John Stephens to continue in possession of it, or to give him eventually a location ticket covering the said land.

I think, however, that an equal area (160 scores) should be surrendered from the said reserve No.124 and relinquished to the Grown in exchange for the prepased reserve at Lesser Slave Lake for John Stophona, and would recommend that the Indian Agent be instructed to lay the matter before the Indian of the said reserve, in order to obtain from them their consent to give a surrender of the portion for the purpose mentioned.

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164,007/21 APPIL 190 lamorandum: Mr. Pedley,_ I spoke to to Conroy about the matter referred to in Mr. Bray's menso, of the 15th instant. He does not . know anything about the location occupied by Stephens, but says that he cannot of course be disturbed in his holding so long as he is in cocupation, Treaty # pecretal Indian Affairs. (NG 107- Jolume 4007, file 244,593)

I am directed to inform you that John Stephens, who is a member of Chief Alexander's Dand, New 124, at Riviers and Darrs, and who holds land in common with other members of that Dand, has located himself at Lesser Shave Lake and is desirous of securing the land he is located mean. Under the terms of Treaty 8 covoring this territory lund in the terms of Treaty 8 covoring this territory lund in the provided in **Securing to the** extent of 160 acros to such Indian to be conveyed with the provise can to mon-alignation without the consent of the Geverner in Council.

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i bug to call your attention to the case of Johnuy Stony, formerly of Alexander's Bund, Edmonton Agamoy, and transforred to this Agency in 1910 and paid under No. 18, Sawridge Band.

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Lognor Blave Lake Agency

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family, which now constate of himself, wife, i boy and 4 girls. If Section II, Township No. V5, Banko 6, west of the 5th Meridian, is granted to the Sawridge Sand in part of their Remorve (as referred to in my letter of the 8th (mut.) Staby could out may there and it would be unnoncours to give him the latter quarter as size will for.

Your obedient servant.

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Ottawa, April 18, 1918.

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With further reference to letter from your Departsment dated May 9th last No.226,4285 and to letter from this Department to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior dated September 27th leat. I am sending you plans under separate cover showing the lands selected last enseen by Er.J. E. MoLean J. L. S. for the Sewridge Band of Instand on Lesner Stave Labor in Treaty So.0.

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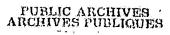
PUBLIC ARCHIVES ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES necessary action taken to have an Order-in-Council passed confirming these Reserves.

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Your obsdignt servant,

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Assistant Deputy and Secretary.



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Ottawa, 19th August 1920.

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With reference to your latter of the 14th August Ho.1735121, I have to say that Mr. John St new (Johnnie Stoney) is a Treaty Indian, No. 18 of the Sawridge Fand. He can continue to occupy the land referred to in the N.E. + 6-73-4-W.F.M. which is a part of the fawridge Indian reserve

Your obedient servant,

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Assistant Deputy and Secretary Secretary J [D. Department of the Interior,

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An Act respecting Indians

SHORT TITLE

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Indian Act.

R.S., c. 1-6, s. 1.

INTERPRETATION

Definitions

2. (1) In this Act,

"band". *« bande »*

"band" means a body of Indians

(a) for whose use and benefit in common, lands, the legal title to which is vested in Her Majesty, have been set apart

before, on or after September 4, 1951,

(b) for whose use and benefit in common, moneys are held by Her Majesty, or

(c) declared by the Governor in Council to be a band for the purposes of this Act;

"Band List"

« liste de bande »

"Band List" means a list of persons that is maintained under section 8 by a band or in the Department;

"child"

« enfant »

"child" includes a legally adopted child and a child adopted in accordance with Indian custom;

"common-law partner"

« conjoint de fait »

"common-law partner", in relation to an individual, means a person who is cohabiting with the individual in a conjugal relationship, having so cohabited for a period of at least one year;

"council of the band"

« conseil de la bande »

"council of the band" means

(a) In the case of a band to which section 74 applies, the council established pursuant to that section,

(b) In the case of a band to which section 74 does not apply, the council chosen according to the custom of the band, or, where there is no council, the chief of the band chosen according to the custom of the band;

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Persons entitled to be registered

6. (1) Subject to section 7, a person is entitled to be registered if

(a) that person was registered or entitled to be registered immediately prior to April 17, 1985;

(b) that person is a member of a body of persons that has been declared by the Governor in Council on or after April 17, 1985 to be a band for the purposes of this Act;

(c) the name of that person was omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or from a band list prior to September 4, 1951, under subparagraph 12(1)(a)(h), paragraph 12(1)(b) or subsection 12(2) or under subparagraph 12(1)(a)(h), pursuant to an order made under subsection 109(2), as each provision read immediately prior to April 17, 1985, or under any former provision of this Act relating to the same subject-matter as any of those provisions;

(c.1) that person

(I) is a person whose mother's name was, as a result of the mother's marriage, omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or from a band list prior to September 4, 1951, under paragraph 12(1)(b) or under subparagraph 12(1)(a) (III) pursuant to an order made under subsection 109(2), as each provision read immediately prior to April 17, 1985, or under any former provision of this Act relating to the same subject-matter as any of those provisions,

(ii) is a person whose other parent is not entitled to be registered or, if no longer living, was not at the time of death entitled to be registered or was not an Indian at that time if the death occurred prior to September 4, 1951,

(III) was born on or after the day on which the marriage referred to in subparagraph (i) occurred and, unless the person's parents married each other prior to April 17, 1985, was born prior to that data, and

(iv) had or adopted a child, on or after September 4, 1951, with a person who was not entitled to be registered on the day on which the child was born or adopted;

(d) the name of that person was omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or from a band list prior to September 4, 1951, under subparagraph 12(1)(a)(iii) pursuant to an order made under subsection 109(1), as each provision read immediately prior to April 17, 1985, or under any former provision of this Act relating to the same subject-matter as any of those provisions;

(e) the name of that person was omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or from a band list prior to September 4, 1951,

(i) under section 13, as it read immediately prior to September 4, 1951, or under any former provision of this Act relating to the same subject-matter as that section, or

(ii) under section 111, as it read immediately prior to July 1, 1920, or under any former provision of this Act relating to the same subject-matter as that section; or

(/) that person is a person both of whose parents are or, if no longer living, were at the time of death entitled to be registered under this section.

Idem

(2) Subject to section 7, a person is entitled to be registered if that person is a person one of whose parents is or, if no longer living, was at the time of death entitled to be registered under subsection (1).

Deeming provision

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(/) and subsection (2),

(a) a person who was no longer living immediately prior to April 17, 1985 but who was at the time of death entitled to be registered shall be deemed to be entitled to be registered under paragraph (1)(a);

(b) a person described in paragraph (1)(c), (d), (e) or (f) or subsection (2) and who was no longer living on April 17, 1985 shall be deemed to be entitled to be registered under that provision; and

(c) a person described in paragraph (1)(c.1) and who was no longer living on the day on which that paragraph comes into force is deemed to be entitled to be registered under that paragraph.

R.S., 1985, c. I-5, s. 6; R.S., 1985, c. 32 (1st Supp.), s. 4, c. 43 (4th Supp.), s. 1; 2010, c. 18, s. 2,

Persons not entitled to be registered

7. (1) The following persons are not entitled to be registered.

ENFRANCHISEMENT

109. to 113. [Repealed, R.S., 1985, c. 32 (1st Supp.), s. 20]

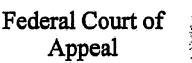
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BETWEEN:

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Appellants

and **ELIZABETH BERNADETTE POITRAS**

Respondent

and

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA as represented by THE MINISTER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT

Respondent

STRATAS J.A.

Heard at Ottawa, Ontario, on February 8, 2012, Judgment delivered from the Bench at Ottawa, Ontario, on February 8, 2012.

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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA as represented by THE MINISTER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT

Respondent

REASONS FOR JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Delivered from the Bench at Ottawa, Ontario, on February 8, 2012)

STRATAS J.A.

[1] This is an appeal against the Order dated July 27, 2010 made by a case management judge in the Federal Court (Justice Hugessen). The case management judge ordered that an issue central to an action (the "main action") has become moot.

[2] The circumstances giving rise to the Order are as follows.

[3] Some time ago, the respondent, Ms. Poitras, started the main action against the appellant Band, claiming membership in it. The Band defended, in part, on the basis that it had a right under section 35 of the *Constitution Act*, 1982 to determine who was a member of the Band.

[4] The main action was stayed pending the outcome of another action that the Federal Court regarded as being closely related (the "closely related action"). In the closely related action, the Band was challenging amendments to the *Indian Act*, advancing the same argument, namely that it had a right under section 35 of the *Constitution Act*, 1982 to determine who was a member of the Band. That action had a long history, including a retrial. In the end result, the closely related action was dismissed: *Sawridge Band v. The Queen*, 2008 FC 322 (CanLII), 2008 FC 322, aff'd 2009 FCA 123 (CanLII), 2009 FCA 123.

[5] With the dismissal of the closely related action, what was to become of the main action and the issue of Ms. Poitras' membership in the Band? To determine this, the Federal Court issued a notice of status review concerning the main action.

[6] As a result of the status review, a case management conference in the Federal Court was held. There, the issue of mootness was discussed, having been raised in the submissions filed.

[7] The case management judge's Order followed. The case management judge ordered that the issue of Ms. Poitras' membership in the Band was moot.

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[8] In this Court, the appellants appeal that Order.

[9] The appellate standard of review applies. The appellants must show that the Order is vitiated either by legal error or by palpable and overriding error on some issue of fact or fact-based discretion. In reviewing the exercise of discretion in this case, it must also be borne in mind that this is an Order made by a case management judge who had managed the main action and the closely related action for many years and, as a result, possessed great familiarity with the factual issues and history of the matters: Sawridge Band v. Canada, 2001 FCA 338 (CanLII), 2001 FCA 338 at paragraph 11, 2001 FCA 338 (CanLII), [2002] 2 F.C. 346.

[10] In our view, the appellants have not shown any reversible error on the part of the case management judge that would warrant permitting the Band to relitigate the constitutional issues.

[11] There can be circumstances which can prompt the Court to exercise its discretion to allow relitigation, notwithstanding the doctrines of issue estoppel and abuse of process: *Danyluk v. Ainsworth Technologies Inc.*, 2001 SCC 44 (CanLII), 2001 SCC 44, [2001] 2 S.C.R. 460; *Toronto (City) v. C.U.P.E., Local 79*, 2003 SCC 63 (CanLII), 2003 SCC 63, [2003] 3 S.C.R. 77.

[12] But there is nothing in the record of this case showing that the appellants offered to the case management judge any such circumstances. Indeed, the record shows that the appellants deliberately decided, for reasons known to them, to close their case in the closely related action knowing they could have called more evidence and made further submissions. They knew that a dismissal would result after they closed their case. See *Sawridge Band v. Canada*, 2008 FC 322 (CanLI), 2008 FC 322 at paragraphs 10-21 and 60.

[13] For the foregoing reasons, we shall dismiss the appeal and direct the parties to return to the current case management judge to bring the pleadings into line with the issues that remain in light of this Court's decision.

"David Stratas"

J.A.

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Docket: A-154-08

BETWEEN:

SAWRIDGE BAND

Appellant (Plaintiff)

and HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

> Respondent (Defendant)

and

CONGRESS OF ABORIGINAL PEOPLES, NATIVE COUNCIL OF CANADA (ALBERTA), NON-STATUS INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA and NATIVE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

Respondents (Interveners)

Docket: A-112-08

AND BETWEEN:

TSUU T'INA FIRST NATION (formerly the Sarcee Indian Band)

Appellant (Plaintiff)

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and

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

Respondent (Defendant)

and

CONGRESS OF ABORIGINAL PEOPLES, NATIVE COUNCIL OF CANADA (ALBERTA), NON-STATUS INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA and NATIVE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

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SHARLOW J.A.

[1] These are appeals of the decision of Justice Russell to dismiss the appellants' action and to award costs totalling approximately \$1.7 million in favour of the Crown and the other respondents (interveners at trial). That award includes a substantial amount as increased costs in excess of full indemnity. The reasons for dismissing the action are reported at 2008 FC 322 (CanLII), 2008 FC 322. The reasons for the costs award are reported at 2008 FC 267 (CanLII), 2008 FC 267. The appellants are seeking a retrial.

[2] Despite the thorough and lengthy written and oral submissions of counsel for the appellants, we can discern no error on the part of Justice Russell that warrants the intervention of this Court. We do not consider it necessary to discuss the grounds of appeal in detail. We will offer only the following comments.

[3] The dismissal of the action was the end of the retrial of an action commenced on January 15, 1986. The appellants were seeking an order declaring that certain amendments to the *Indian Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. 1-5, breached the appellants' rights under section 35 of the *Constitution Act*, 1982. The statutory amendments compelled the appellants, against their wishes, to add certain individuals to the list of band members. The appellants argue that the legislation is an invalid attempt to deprive them of their right to determine the membership of their own bands.

[4] The first trial began in September of 1993 and ended with a diamissal of the action on July 6, 1995 (Sawridge Band v. Canada (T.D.), 1995 CanLII 3521 (FC), [1996] 1 F.C. 3). That decision was set aside by this Court on the basis of a reasonable apprehension of bias (Sawridge Band v. Canada (C.A., [1997] 3. F.C. 580, application for leave to appeal diamissed December 1, 1997). A new trial was ordered. It began in January of 2007, after almost 10 years of procedural disputes and delays.

[5] The action was dismissed again because, on January 7, 2008, the appellants informed Justice Russell that they would not be calling further evidence. This was in response to Justice Russell's oral ruling on September 11, 2007 striking all of the appellants' past and future lay witnesses because of non-compliant will-says. There being no case for the Crown to answer, the action necessarily failed. The action was formally dismissed on March 7, 2008.

[6] In deciding to call no further evidence on the retrial, the appellants were not abandoning the cause that led them to begin the action in 1986. Rather, they chose to end the action when they did in order to challenge a series of rulings made by Justice Russell precluding the appellants from eliciting any evidence from lay witnesses that had not been disclosed in the will-says for those witnesses, as well as the oral ruling on September 11, 2007. The appellants also argue that Justice Russell's conduct since his appointment as trial judge raises a reasonable apprehension of bias.

[7] It is not necessary to recount the lengthy procedural history of this matter, which is described in detail by Justice Russell. We note, however, that during the process of case management and after the discovery process had become hopeless, Justice Hugessen made an order requiring the appellants to produce will-say statements for all lay witnesses proposed to be called at trial. In June of 2004, Justice Russell found the appellants' first attempt at will-says to be inadequate and ordered new will-says 2004 FC 933 (CanLII), (2004 FC 933). He found the second attempt also to be inadequate 2004 FC 1436 (CanLII), (2004 FC 1436) and ordered a third attempt 2004 FC 1653 (CanLII), (2004 FC 1653). None of these orders was appealed.

[8] In November of 2005 Justice Russell made an order permitting the appellants to call 24 of their 57 potential lay witnesses, but prohibiting them from calling the other 33 because of various failures to comply with the will-say orders 2005 FC 1476 (CanLII), (2005 FC 1476). The appellants' appeal of that order was dismissed 2006 FCA 228 (CanLII), (2006 FCA 228, application for leave to appeal dismissed, February 8, 2007).

[9] The 2006 interlocutory appeal settled a number of issues. One was that the will-says were intended to provide a substitute for oral discovery, which "the parties had shown themselves incapable of conducting in a productive and focused manner" (see paragraph 9 of the reasons of Justice Evans, speaking for the Court). Another was that it was within the discretion of Justice Russell not to permit witnesses to be called because of the appellants' non-compliance with Court orders regarding the filing of will-says (see paragraph 13 of the reasons of Justice Evans).

[10] In oral argument, counsel for the appellants argued that, despite the long history of controversy about will-says and what would constitute a compliant will-say, they were not aware when they prepared the third set of will-says that the evidence they could elicit from a witness for whom a will-say had been served could not include anything not set out in the will-say. Our review of the record discloses that the appellants should have been aware by the commencement of the retrial that they could be precluded from adducing any evidence from a witness for whom no compliant will-say had been produced, and that they could also be limited to eliciting evidence disclosed in the will-

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say. If they were confused on those points, however, they did little to clarify the situation when they indicated to Justice Russell that, although they considered their will-says to be compliant with the standard he had set, their ability to make their case would be compromised if they were barred from eliciting any evidence from a witness that did not appear in the will-say for that witness.

[11] The appellants' equivocation when asked if their will-says were compilant led Justice Russell to conclude that if the appellants could not adequately make their case based on what was stated in the will-says, the will-says must necessarily have been non-compliant. The appellants take issue with Justice Russell's interpretation of their submissions and his reasoning. However, based on our review of the record, Justice Russell's understanding of the appellants' position, as expressed many times in his reasons, was reasonably open to him.

[12] In our view, all of the orders and directions which the appellants now seek to challenge were discretionary decisions made by Justice Russell in furtherance of his obligation to control the trial process. He was required to discharge that obligation in circumstances that became increasingly difficult because of the appellants' apparent reluctance to accept that a trial judge may exclude relevant evidence on the basis that it was not properly disclosed in the discovery process or, as in this case, will-say statements that were intended to stand in the place of oral discoveries. A failure to make disclosures required by a court order may and occasionally does result in the exclusion of relevant evidence.

[13] Finally, without endorsing every statement made by Justice Russell in his voluminous reasons, we find no factual foundation in the record for the appellants' argument that there was a reasonable apprehension of bias on the part of Justice Russell. On the contrary, we agree with the other panel of this Court in the 2006 interlocutory appeal that, given the circumstances facing him, Justice Russell displayed an appropriate mix of "patience, flexibility, firmness, ingenuity, and an overall sense of fairness to all parties" (paragraph 22, per Justice Evans).

[14] We express no opinion on the comments of Justice Russell to the effect that he remains seized of matters, relating to the possibility of proceedings against appellants' former counsel for contempt of court or professional disciplinary proceedings. No ground of appeal can arise in relation to those matters unless and until Justice Russell makes an order or renders judgment.
[14]

[15] The Crown and other respondents have argued that this appeal is based largely on debates that were decided against the appeal and in prior proceedings, some going so far as to say that the appeal itself is abusive. While there is some force in this argument, on balance we have concluded that, after the action was dismissed, it was open to the

appellants to appeal the decision of Justice Russell to strike the evidence of the witnesses. While we have concluded that there is no merit in that appeal, it does not follow that the appeal itself is an abuse of process. [16] As to the appellants' appeal of the costs awarded at trial, we are not persuaded that Justice Russell erred in law

or failed to exercise his discretion judicially when he awarded increased costs as he did. In particular, having considered the entire history of the retrial, we can detect no palpable and overriding error in Justice Russell's findings of misconduct on the part of the appellants.

[17] This appeal will be dismissed with costs to the Crown and each of the other respondents (interveners at trial) on the ordinary scale (that is, the mid-range of Column III of Tariff B of the *Federal Courts Rules*). These reasons will be placed in Court file A-154-08 and a copy will be placed in Court file A-112-08.

<u>"K. Sharlow</u> I.A.

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Dear Sir,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our intended protest rally, we the band members of (C31) the Kee-sip-iamahk Band of the Lesser Save Lake area, are going to organize and hold a protest rally on the Sawridge Reserve.

We will set up a tent and teepee camp to protest housing and land issues. Being ex-bandmembers of the Sawridge Band, we feel that we have every right to hold a protest rally. We've tried every possible negotiable route and avenue to get said issues settled. To no avail did anyone try or say that they would help us with these matters. Our patience has worn out. We will invite the media and anyone else who wishes to support our rally.

This is Exhibit . X . referred to in the Affidavit of TIDLAND IWINN Sworn before me this day OF JUNE 4.D. 20 La

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DONNA BROWN A Commissioner for Oaths In and for The Province of Alberta My Appointment Expires December 30, 2012 Our legal council will also be present. We are at all times, open for negotiations, with who ever is involved with these issues that we are going to protest. The rally at all times will be peaceful and orderly.

This protest rally is going to be held on June 13-93 at 1:p.m. We will also elect a Band Council, these councillors are to be elected from approximately twelve different families that make up the Kee-sip-igamahk Band.

One member is to be elected from each family, to establish a twelve member band council. The main leader or leaders are to be elected at a later date. Sitting in as acting leaders at present are Sam Sinclair, Gordon Sinclair, and Maurice Stoney.

As stated earlier we the Kee-sip-igamahk Band members are more than willing to negotiate these very important matters. Yours truly,

Executive Councillor,

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Maurice Stoney

Kee-sip-igamahk Band, Phone-849-5173

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OF MAURICE FELIX STONEY TO THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION

BETWEEN:

MAURICE FELIX STONEY

Appellant

- and —

SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION

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The Appeal of Maurice Felix Stoney (herein referred to as the "Appellant") in relation to his membership application was heard on the Sawridge Reserve in the Sawridge Boardroom on April 21, 2012, before Electors of the Sawridge First Nation (herein referred to as the "First Nation") in attendance at a meeting convened by the First Nation for the purposes of hearing the Appeal.

The Electors of the First Nation in attendance at the meeting who constituted the Appeal Committee were as follows:

Roland Twinn	Bertha L'Hirondelle	Frieda Drancy
Vera McCoy	Margaret Claire Ward	Jaclyn Twin
Water F. Twin	Denise Midbo	Yvonne Twin
Justin Twin	Lillian Potskin	Arlene Twinn
Irene Twinn	Darcy Twin	Kristina Midbo
Winona Twin	Catherine Twinn	Sam Twinn
Clara Midbo	Paul Twinn	David Midbo

Rarihokwats chaired the Appeal Committee.

The Appellant appeared with Legal Counsel, Priscilla Kennedy of Davis LLP. The First Nation was represented by Legal Counsel, Edward H. Molstad, Q.C. of Parlee McLaws LLP and Michael McKinney, General Counsel for the First Nation.

Written submissions were presented on behalf of the Appellant and oral submissions were made on behalf of the Appellant.

Following the submissions of the Appellant and questions and comments of Members of the Appeal Committee, the Appeal Committee met in camera in order to make its decision.

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The unanimous decision of the Appeal Committee is to uphold the decision of Chief and Council and to dismiss the appeal on the grounds that having heard the evidence and the submission of the Appellant and the Appellant's Legal Counsel, there are no grounds to set aside the decision of the Chief and Council.

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SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION

Respondent

Docket: T-922-12

BETWEEN:

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Applicants

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SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION

Respondent

This is Exhibit "3 " referred to in the ffidavit of nr 21 Sworn before me this day of.

A Notary Public, A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta MICHAEL R. MCKINNEY Q.C. BARRISTER & SOLICITOR

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REASONS FOR JUDGMENT AND JUDGMENT

[1] This is an application for judicial review pursuant to section 18.1 of the *Federal Courts Act*, RSC, 1985, c F-7. The Applicants are all descendants of individuals who were at one time members of the Sawridge First Nation, but who, either voluntarily or by operation of the law at the time, lost their band memberships. As a result the Applicants were excluded from membership in the Sawridge First Nation. They now ask this Court to review the Sawridge First Nation Appeal Committee's decision to uphold the Sawridge Chief and Council's decision which denied their applications for membership.

[2] The father of the Applicant Maurice Stoney was William J. Stoney. William Stoney was a member of the Sawridge First Nation but in April 1944 he applied to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs to be enfranchised under section 114 of the *Indian Act*, c 98, RSC 1927. In consideration of payments totalling \$871.35, William Stoney surrendered his Indian status and his membership in the Sawridge First Nation. By operation of the legislation, William Stoney's wife, Margaret Stoney, and their two children, Alvin Stoney and Maurice Stoney, were similarly enfranchised thereby losing their Indian status and their membership in the Sawridge First Nation.

[3] The Applicants Aline Huzar and June Kolosky are sisters and, like Mr. Stoney, they are the grandchildren of Johnny Stoney. The mother of Ms. Huzar and Ms. Kolosky was Johnny Stoney's daughter, Mary Stoney. Mary Stoney married Simon McGillivray in 1921. Because of her marriage Mary Stoney lost both her Indian status and her membership in Sawridge by operation of law. When Ms. Huzar and Ms. Kolosky were born in 1941 and 1937 respectively Mary Stoney was

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not a member of the Sawridge Band First Nation and she did not reacquire membership before her death in 1979.

[4] In 1985, with the passing of Bill C-31, *An Act to amend the Indian Act*, 33 – 34 Eliz II c 27, and pursuant to section 10 of the *Indian Act*, the Sawridge First Nation delivered its membership rules, supporting documentation and bylaws to the Deputy Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs, who accepted them on behalf of the Minister. The Minister subsequently informed Sawridge that notice would be given pursuant to subsection 10(7) of the *Indian Act* that the Sawridge First Nation had control of its membership. From that point on, membership in the Sawridge First Nation was determined based on the Sawridge Membership Rules.

[5] Ms. Kolosky submitted her application for membership with the Sawridge First Nation on February 26, 2010. Ms. Huzar submitted her application on June 21, 2010. Mr. Stoney submitted his application on August 30, 2011. In letters dated December 7, 2011, the Applicants were informed that their membership applications had been reviewed by the First Nation Council, and it had been determined that they did not have any specific "right" to have their names entered in the Sawridge Membership List. The Council further stated that it was not compelled to exercise its discretion to add the Applicants' names to the Membership list, as it did not feel that their admission would be in the best interests and welfare of Sawridge.

[6] After this determination, "Membership Processing Forms" were prepared that set out a "Summary of First Nation Councils Judgement". These forms were provided to the Applicants and outlined their connection and commitment to Sawridge, their knowledge of the First Nation, their MAY-15-2013 14:20

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character and lifestyle, and other considerations. In particular, the forms noted that the Applicants had not had any family in the Sawridge First Nation for generations and did not have any current relationship with the Band. Reference was also made to their involvement in a legal action commenced against the Sawridge First Nation in 1995 in which they sought damages for lost benefits, economic losses, and the "arrogant and high-handed manner in which Walter Patrick Twinn and the Sawridge Band of Indians has deliberately, and without cause, denied the Plaintiffs reinstatement as Band Members...". The 1995 action was ultimately unsuccessful. Although the Applicants were ordered to pay costs to the First Nation, those costs remained unpaid.

[7] In accordance with section 12 of the Sawridge Membership Rules, the Applicants appealed the Council's decision arguing that they had an automatic right to membership as a result of the enactment of Bill C-31. On April 21, 2012 their appeals were heard before 21 Electors of the Sawridge First Nation, who made up the Appeal Committee. Following written and oral submissions by the Applicants and questions and comments from members of the Appeal Committee, it was unanimously decided that there were no grounds to set aside the decision of the Chief and Council. It is from the Appeal Committee's decision that this application for judicial review stems.

[8] The Applicants maintain that they each have an automatic right of membership in the Sawridge First Nation. Mr. Stoney states at para 8 of his affidavit of May 22, 2012 that this right arises from the provisions of Bill C-31. Ms. Huzar and Ms. Kolosky also argue that they "were persons with the right to have their names entered in the [Sawridge] Band List" by virtue of section 6 of the *Indian Act*. [9] I accept that, if the Applicants had such an acquired right of membership by virtue of their ancestry, Sawridge had no right to refuse their membership applications: see Sawridge v Canada, 2004 FCA 16 at para 26, [2004] FCJ no 77.

[10] Ms. Huzar and Ms. Kolosky rely on the decisions in *Sawridge v Canada*, 2003 FCT 347, [2003] 4 FC 748, and *Sawridge v Canada*, 2004 FCA 16, [2004] FCJ no 77 in support of their claims to automatic Sawridge membership. Those decisions, however, apply to women who had lost their Indian status and their band membership by virtue of marriages to non-Indian men and whose rights to reinstatement were clearly expressed in the amendments to the *Indian Act*, including Bill C-31. The question that remains is whether the descendants of Indian women who were also deprived of their right to band membership because of the inter-marriage of their mothers were intended to be protected by those same legislative amendments.

[11] A plain reading of sections 6 and 7 of Bill C-31 indicates that Parliament intended only that persons who had their Indian status and band memberships directly removed by operation of law ought to have those memberships unconditionally restored. The only means by which the descendants of such persons could gain band membership (as distinct from regaining their Indian status) was to apply for it in accordance with a First Nation's approved membership rules. This distinction was, in fact, recognized by Justice James Hugessen in *Sawridge v Canada*, 2003 FCT 347 at paras 27 to 30, 4 FC 748, [2003] 4 FC 748:

27 Although it deals specifically with Band Lists maintained in the Department, section 11 clearly distinguishes between automatic, or unconditional, entitlement to membership and conditional entitlement to membership, <u>Subsection 11(1) provides for automatic</u>

entitlement to certain individuals as of the date the amendments came into force. Subsection 11(2), on the other hand, potentially leaves to the band's discretion the admission of the descendants of women who "married out."

28 The debate in the House of Commons, prior to the enactment of the amendments, reveals Parliament's Intention to create an automatic entitlement to women who had lost their status because they married non-Indian men. Minister Crombie stated as follows (*House of Commons Debates*, Vol. II, March 1, 1985, page 2644):

> ... today, I am asking Hon. Members to consider legislation which will eliminate two historic wrongs in Canada's legislation regarding Indian people. These wrongs are discriminatory treatment based on sex and the control by Government of membership in Indian communities.

A little further, he spoke about the careful balancing between these rights in the Act. In this section, Minister Crombie referred to the difference between status and membership. He stated that, while those persons who lost their status and membership should have both restored, the descendants of those persons are only automatically entitled to status (House of Commons Debates, idem, at page 2645):

> This legislation achieves balance and rests comfortably and fairly on the principle that those persons who lost status and membership should have their status and membership restored. [page766] While there are some who would draw the line there, in my view fairness also demands that the first generation descendants of those who were wronged by discriminatory legislation should have status under the Indian Act so that they will be eligible for individual benefits provided by the federal Government. However, their relationship with respect to membership and residency should be determined by the relationship with the Indian communities to which they belong.

30 Still further on, the Minister stated the fundamental purposes of amendments, and explained that, while those purposes may conflict, the fairest balance had been achieved (*House of Commons Debates*, idem, at page 2646):

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... I have to reassert what is unshakeable for this Government with respect to the Bill. First, it must include removal of discriminatory provisions in the Indian Act; second, it must include the restoration of status and membership to those who lost status and membership as a result of those discriminatory provisions; and third, it must ensure that the Indian First Nations who wish to do so can control their own membership. Those are the three principles which allow us to find balance and fairness and to proceed confidently in the face of any disappointment which may be expressed by persons or groups who were not able to accomplish 100 per cent of their own particular goals...

[Emphasis added]

This decision was upheld on appeal in Sawridge v Canada, 2004 FCA 16, [2004] FCJ no 77.

[12] The legislative balance referred to by Justice Hugessen is also reflected in the 2010

Legislative Summary of Bill C-3 titled the Gender Equity in Indian Registration Act, SC 2010, c 18.

There the intent of Bill C-31 is described as follows:

Bill C-31 severed status and band membership for the first time and authorized bands to control their own membership and enact their own membership codes (section 10). For those not exercising that option, the Department of Indian Affairs would maintain "Band Lists" (section 11). Under the legislation's complex scheme some registrants were granted automatic band membership, while others obtained only conditional membership. The former group included women who had lost status by marrying out and were reinstated under paragraph 6(1)(c). The latter group included their children, who acquired status under subsection 6(2).

[Emphasis added]

[13] While Mary Stoney would have an acquired right to Sawridge membership had she been alive when Bill C-31 was enacted, the same right did not accrue to her children. Simply put neither Ms. Huzar or Ms. Kolosky qualified under section 11 of Bill C-31 for automatic band membership. Their only option was to apply for membership in accordance with the membership rules promulgated by Sawridge.

[14] This second generation cut-off rule has continued to attract criticism as is reflected in the Legislative Summary at p 13, para 34:

34. The divisiveness has been exacerbated by the Act's provisions related to band membership, under which not all new or reinstated registrants have been entitled to automatic membership. As previously mentioned, under provisions in Bill C-31, women who had "married out" and were reinstated did automatically become band members, but their children registered under subsection 6(2) have been eligible for conditional membership only. In light of the high volume of new or returning "Bill C-31 Indians" and the scarcity of reserve land, automatic membership did not necessarily translate into a right to reside on-reserve, creating another source of internal conflict.

Notwithstanding the above-noted criticism, the legislation is clear in its intent and does not support a claim by Ms. Huzar and Ms. Kolosky to automatic band membership.

[15] I also cannot identify anything in Bill C-31 that would extend an automatic right of membership in the Sawridge First Nation to William Stoney. He lost his right to membership when his father sought and obtained enfranchisement for the family. The legislative amendments in Bill C-31 do not apply to that situation. MAY-15-2013 14:22

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[16] Even if I am wrong in my interpretation of these legislative provisions, this application cannot be sustained at least in terms of the Applicants' claims to automatic band membership. All of the Applicants in this proceeding, among others, were named as Plaintiffs in an action filed in this Court on May 6, 1998 seeking mandatory relief requiring that their names be added to the Sawridge membership list. That action was struck out by the Federal Court of Appeal in a decision issued on June 13, 2000 for the following reasons:

> [4] It was conceded by counsel for the respondents that, without the proposed amending paragraphs, the unamended statement of claim discloses no reasonable cause of action in so far as it asserts or assumes that the respondents are entitled to Band membership without the consent of the Band,

[5] It is clear that, until the Band's membership rules are found to be invalid, they govern membership of the Band and that the respondents have, at best, a right to apply to the Band for membership. Accordingly, the statement of claim against the appellants, Walter Partick Twinn, as Chief of the Sawridge Indian Band, and the Sawridge Indian Band, will be struck as disclosing no reasonable cause of action.

See Huzar v Canada, [2000] FCJ no 873, 258 NR 246.

[17] It is not open to a party to relitigate the same issue that was conclusively determined in an earlier proceeding. The attempt by these Applicants to reargue the question of their automatic right . of membership in Sawridge is barred by the principle of issue estoppel: see *Danyluk v Ainsworth Technologies Inc.*, 2001 SCC 44, [2001] 2 SCR 460.

[18] The Applicants are, nevertheless, fully entitled to challenge the lawfulness of the appeal decision rejecting their membership applications.

[19] The Applicants did not challenge the reasonableness of the appeal decision but only the fairness of the process that was followed. Their argument is one of institutional bias and it is set out with considerable brevity at para 35 of the Huzar and Kolosky Memorandum of Fact and Law;

35. It is submitted that the total membership of Sawridge First Nation is small being in the range of 50 members. Only three applicants have been admitted to membership since 1985 and these three are (were) the sisters of deceased Chief, Walter Twinn. The Appeal Committee consisted of 21 of the members of Sawridge and three of these 21 were the Chief, Roland Twinn and Councillors, Justin Twinn and Winona Twin, who made the original decision appealed from.

[20] In the absence of any other relevant evidence, no inference can be drawn from the limited number of new memberships that have been granted by Sawridge since 1985. While the apparent involvement of the Chief and two members of the Band Council in the work of the Appeal Committee might give rise to an appearance of bias, there is no evidence in the record that would permit the Court to make a finding one way or the other or to ascertain whether this issue was waived by the Applicants' failure to raise a concern at the time.

[21] Indeed, it is surprising that this issue was not fully briefed by the Applicants in their affidavits or in their written and oral arguments. It is of equal concern that no cross-examinations were carried out to provide an evidentiary foundation for this allegation of institutional bias. The issue of institutional bias in the context of small First Nations with numerous family connections is nuanced and the issue cannot be resolved on the record before me: see *Sweetgrass First Nation v Favel*, 2007 FC 271 at para 19, [2007] FCJ no 347, and *Lavalee v Louison*, [1999] FCJ no 1350 at paras 34-35, 91 ACWS (3d) 337.

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[22] The same concern arises in connection with the allegation of a section 15 Charter breach. There is nothing in the evidence to support such a finding and it was not advanced in any serious way in the written or oral submissions. The record is completely inadequate to support such a claim to relief. There is also nothing in the record to establish that the Crown was provided with any notice of what constitutes a constitutional challenge to the *Indian Act*. Accordingly, this claim to relief cannot be sustained.

[23] For the foregoing reasons these applications are dismissed with costs payable to the Respondent. MAY-15-2013 14:22

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JUDGMENT

THIS COURT'S JUDGMENT is that these applications are dismissed with costs payable

to the Respondent.

"R.L. Barnes"

Judge

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BETWEEN:

MAURICE FELIX STONEY

and

Applicant

SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION

Respondent

CERTIFICATE OF ASSESSMENT

UPON the Reasons for Judgment and Judgment delivered by the Court on May 15, 2013, dismissing the Application for Judicial Review with costs payable to the Respondent;

AND UPON the filing of the Bill of Costs;

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AND UPON the Directions issued and served upon the parties on July 29, 2014, informing the parties that the assessment of costs would proceed in writing and of the deadline to file representations;

AND UPON CONSIDERING the Affidavit of Disbursements of C. Candice Cherkowski swom June 13, 2014;

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AND UPON CONSIDERING that, no other representations were received by the

Registry of the Court, nor were any request to extend the time to file submissions;

AND UPON CONSIDERING the decision in *Dahl v Canada*, 2007 FC 192, in which it is stated at paragraph 2:

Effectively, the absence of any relevant representations by the Plaintiff, which could assist me in identifying issues and making a decision, leaves the bill of costs unopposed. My view, often expressed in comparable circumstances, is that the *Federal Courts Rules* do not contemplate a litigant benefiting by an assessment officer stepping away from a position of neutrality to act as the litigant's advocate in challenging given items in a bill of costs. However, the assessment officer cannot certify unlawful items, i.e. those outside the authority of the judgment and the Tariff.

AND UPON HAVING CONSIDERED the above referenced comments and the lack of challenge by the opposing party, I have reviewed the file and the materials submitted to ensure that the assessable services are claimed within the authority of the Tariff B of the *Federal Courts Rules*;

AND UPON HAVING CONCLUDED that the assessable services claimed under Tariff B of the *Federal Courts Rules* are reasonable;

AND UPON HAVING CONCLUDED that the disbursements claimed were all

necessary charges for the conduct of this matter and that the amounts claimed are reasonable and

necessary;

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Bill of Costs presented by the Respondent is assessed

and allowed at \$2,995.65.

"Johanne Parent" Assessment Officer

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Please see attached correspondence from Ms. Jamison dated October 22, 2014. Should you have any difficulty with the attachment, please immediately advise.

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Maurice Felix Stoney v. Sawridge First Nation Action Number: T-923-12

Further to the Assessment Officer's issuance of the Certificate of Costs in respect of the above noted matters, please advise as to when we can expect to receive payment of our Bills of Costs from your client. We note that the Assessment Officer allowed costs at \$2,995.65 for each action.

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Further to our previous correspondence respecting costs payable by your client in respect of the above-noted matter, we note that the costs award given by the Assessment Officer remains outstanding.

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Dear Chief Twinn:

I am writing to inform you of the decision taken by the Canadian Human Rights Commission in the complaint (20140008) of Maurice Stoney against Sawridge First Nation.

Before rendering the decision, the Commission reviewed the report disclosed to you previously and any submission(s) filed in response to the report. After examining this information, the Commission decided, pursuant to paragraph 41(1)(d) of the Canadian Human Rights Act, not to deal with the complaint.

The decision of the Commission is attached.

Accordingly, the file on this matter has now been closed.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Allan Carter, Commission Meeting Unit, at (613) 943-9530 or by email: allan.carter@chrc-ccdp.gc.ca.

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Respondent(s):	Sawridge First Nation
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Decision under section 41

The Commission decided, for the reasons identified below, not to deal with the complaint, under paragraph 41(1)(d) of the *Canadian Human Rights Act*.

The Commission further decided that a decision under paragraph 41(1)(e) of the Canadian Human Rights Act is therefore unnecessary.

Material considered when decision made

The following documents were reviewed:

- Complaint form dated January 31, 2014
- Section 40/41 report dated January 21, 2015
- Complainant's submission dated February 6, 2015
- Respondent's submission dated March 23, 2015

Reasons for decision

The Commission adopts the following conclusion set out in the Section 40/41 Report:

The complainant has been a party to two different proceedings before the Federal Court with respect to the matters raised in this complaint; an action against the respondent which was struck by the Federal Court of Appeal in 2000 and an application for judicial review which was dismissed in May 2013. The essence of the complaint, i.e., the respondent's denial of the complainant's membership in the band, was central to both proceedings. The complainant clearly raised discrimination in his application for judicial review when he alleged that the decision violated the Charter; however, he did not provide adequate evidence for the Federal Court to overturn the decision of the respondent. The Supreme Court in Figliola held that human rights commissions must respect the finality of decisions made by other administrative decision-makers with concurrent jurisdiction to apply human rights legislation when the issues raised in both processes are the same. In this instance, the other decision-makers are judges of the Federal Court and the Federal Court of Appeal and could have clearly considered the human rights allegations raised. Therefore, it would not be unfair for the Commission to decide not lo deal with this complaint.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUSTEE ACT RSA 2000, c T-8, AS AMENDED

IN THE MATTER OF THE SAWRIDGE BAND INTER VIVOS SETTLEMENT CREATED BY CHIEF WALTER PATRICK TWINN, OF THE SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND, NO 19 now known as SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION ON APRIL 15, 1985 (the "1985 Sawridge Trust")

APPLICANT:

MAURICE STONEY

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RESPONDENTS:

ROLAND TWINN, CATHERINE TWINN, WALTER FELIX TWIN, BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE, and CLARA MIDBO, as Trustees for the 1985 Sawridge Trust

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TOTAL:	\$111.20	

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(b)	Amount claimed on disbursements:	\$ nil
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By making the above claim for an additional amount on account of goods and services tax, the party entitled to the costs award warrants that it is not entitled under the *Excise Tax Act* (Canada) to a refund or rebate of any goods and services tax paid.

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Disbursements:	nil
Other Charges:	\$105.90
TOTAL GST:	\$42.80
TOTAL:	\$898.70

APPROVED AS BEING THE COSTS APPROVED AS BEING THE COSTS AWARDED: AWARDED: DLA PYPER (CANADA) LLP PARLEE MCLAWS LLP for PER: PER: Priscilla Kennedy Edward H. Molstad, Q.C. Solicitors for the Appellant, Maurice Solicitors for the Sawridge First Stoney Nation I, Robyn Cochran, certify the following amount that is to be paid By Applicant \$898.70 To Sawridge First Nation. Dated: June 14, 2016 Name of Assessment Officer: Robyn Cochran Signature: R. Gela {E7117144.DOCX; 1}

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