

COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO

THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE JURIANSZ)

TUESDAY, THE 4TH

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DAY OF MAY, 2021

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BETWEEN

Fraser Meekis, Wawasaysca Keno, Richard Rae, Michael Linklater, Tyson Wren an infant under the age of 18 years by his litigation guardian Fraser Meekis, Brayden Meekis an infant under the age of 18 years by his litigation guardian Fraser Meekis, Trenton Meekis an infant under the age of 18 years by his litigation guardian Fraser Meekis, Zachary Meekis an infant under the age of 18 years by his litigation guardian Fraser Meekis, and Makara Meekis an infant under the age of 18 years by her litigation guardian Fraser Meekis

Plaintiffs (Appellants)

and

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, Wojciech Aniol, Investigating Coroner, Michael Wilson, Regional Supervising Coroner, Dirk Huyer, Chief Coroner for Ontario

Defendants (Respondents)

ORDER OF THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO

Whereas this appeal will proceed virtually on May 6, 2021 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic;

And whereas there is substantial public interest in the appeal, including interest by members of Sandy Lake First Nation, a First Nation in remote northwestern Ontario;

And whereas members of the Sandy Lake First Nation may have insufficient bandwidth or other circumstances that prevent them from observing the virtual hearing over the internet while it is occurring on May 6, 2021;

And whereas the appellants, with the respondents' consent, seek authorization for Sandy Lake Community TV Channel to broadcast the livestream of the hearing and to obtain and broadcast a video recording of the hearing;

And whereas s. 136(3)(a) of the *Courts of Justice Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. c.43, allows a judge to authorize the making of a recording of a proceeding for any purpose of the court hearing;

IT IS ORDERED that, subject to any further direction from the court:

1. Sandy Lake Community TV Channel may simultaneously broadcast the livestream of the hearing to Sandy Lake First Nation members and/or members of other remote First Nations in Ontario by accessing and broadcasting the livestream of the hearing webcast;
2. The Registrar for the Court of Appeal for Ontario will make a video recording of the hearing and, following the hearing, provide a copy of that recording to Sandy Lake Community TV Channel so that it may broadcast the video recording to Sandy Lake First Nation members and/or members of other remote First Nations in Ontario after the hearing;
3. Sandy Lake Community TV Channel may broadcast the livestream and video recording of the hearing subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The livestream and video recording may only be broadcast in its entirety. It is strictly prohibited to broadcast only a portion or portions of the livestream and video recording;
 - b. It is strictly prohibited to alter the livestream and video recording in any way which could affect the integrity of the livestream or video recording as an accurate portrayal of the entire proceeding;
 - c. The following warning must be included with any broadcasting of the livestream and video recording:

Unless permission is given by the court, it is an offence under s. 136 of the *Courts of Justice Act*, punishable by a fine of not more than \$25,000 or imprisonment of up to six months, or both, to

record any part of the hearing, including by way of screenshot/capture and photograph, as well as to publish, broadcast, reproduce or disseminate any such recording.

- d. Sandy Lake Community TV Channel may broadcast the livestream and video recording between May 6, 2021 and June 6, 2021. Sandy Lake Community TV Channel may not retain a copy of the livestream or video recording after June 6, 2021 and must certify to the Registrar of the Court of Appeal, on or before June 15, 2021, that it has destroyed any and all copies of the livestream and video recording in its possession;
4. No other person or entity other than Sandy Lake Community TV Channel may broadcast, publish, reproduce or otherwise disseminate any portion of the livestream and video recording.

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FRASER MEEKIS et al.

(PLAINTIFFS/APPELLANTS)

-and- HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO et al.

(DEFENDANTS/RESPONDENTS)

Court No.: C66971

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