THE QUEEN'S BENCH FAMILY DIVISION WINNIPEG CENTRE

BETWEEN:

LIONEL ANDRE BOUCHARD,

Petitioner,

- and -

ANDRE LIONEL BOUCHARD, LYNDA STAUB and CLAIRE DEANNA DEMERY,

Respondents.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS before The Honourable Madam Justice MacPhail, held at the Law Courts Complex, 408 York Avenue, in the City of Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, on the 16th day of September, 2010.

APPEARANCES:

MS. H. DIXON, for the respondent Lynda Staub

MR. K. LAND, for the respondents Claire Demery and

Andre Bouchard

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to proceed today, okay?

MR. LAND: Yes.

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SEPTEMBER 16, 2010 1 2 THE CLERK: Court is now open. Please be seated. 3 This is the Bouchard, Demery, Staub, Bouchard matter, 4 5 Lady. And if I could have appearances Yes. THE COURT: 6 for the record, please. 7 Yes, My Lady. My name is Land. MR. LAND: 8. appear on behalf of Andy Bouchard and Claire Demery. 9 Heather Dixon appears on behalf of Lynda Staub. 10 THE COURT: All right. 11 MR. LAND: There are three pockets in this matter. 12 THE COURT: Yes. Now, I received a phone call .13 this morning from registry staff indicating that a lengthy 14 fax had been sent to my attention, and my assistant has made 15 copies of the lengthy fax. There is some in excess of 90 16 pages, so there's a copy for each of you there and a copy 17 has been made for each of the three pockets. 18 MS. DIXON: Thank you. 19 THE COURT: And in a nutshell the two page letter 20 which is the beginning of the fax indicates that Mr. Lionel 21 Bouchard has correspondence from his doctor indicating that 22 he is unable to travel for medical reasons. And although it 23 doesn't expressly say that he's not going to be here today, 24 I think that's the message that he's giving to the court, 25 that he's not going to give to the message, to the -- he's 26 not going to be appearing in court for this hearing. And in 27 paragraph 7 of the letter he essentially asks the court to 28 uphold the protection orders that were granted to him. 29 Now, I am going to adjourn this hearing for 45 30 minutes to enable the two of you to look through this bundle 31 of documents and then I'll hear from you as to how you wish 32

MR. DIXON: Thank you, My Lady. 1 THE COURT: Because clearly Mr. Bouchard was told 2 in June that the matter would be proceeding to hearing 3 today, but I'll hear from you as to how you wish to proceed 4 when we come back. But I'd like to give you the opportunity 5 to read through this material, okay? 6 Thank you, My Lady. 7 MS. DIXON: MR. LAND: Thank you, My Lady. 8 THE COURT: Thank you. 9 THE CLERK: Order, all rise. 10 11 (BRIEF RECESS) 12 13 THE CLERK: Please be seated. 14 THE COURT: Yes. 15 MR. LAND: Yes, My Lady. 16 THE COURT: Mr. Land. 17 Ms. Dixon and I have had a chance to MR. LAND: 18 review the, the correspondence provided by Ms. LeGare. It's 19 more of the usual as to what the file is already full of. 20 These files are already full of -- basically what 21 correspondence tells me is that the applicant is acting in 22 bad faith in regards his opposition to our application to 23 have the protection order set aside and evidence of that bad 24 faith is contained in the correspondence themselves. 25 This matter was set for trial at a case conference 26 before Justice Johnston on March 17th, 2010. You will note 27 that from the letter that she has filed from Dr. Strath 28 (phonetic) the appointment that he complained about on June 29 3rd was actually made on March 31st, 2010, so some two weeks 30 after the trial date in June was set. He already knew that 31 he had an appointment -- or a trial date set, goes out and 32 sets a doctor's appointment for June 3rd and then comes to 33 court and complains, oh, I can't make it on June 3rd. 34

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We also have an acknowledgement on his part that
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   he's residing in British Columbia as at this stage.
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    paragraph 4 he says he's out of his home, exiled in B.C.
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    awaiting possessions, he is seeing physicians in British
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    Columbia. It appears as though the only -- the real nexus
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    he has to anywhere is now British Columbia. His address
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    shown on all of the correspondence is now in Pitt Meadows,
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    British Columbia, not in Manitoba.
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             THE COURT: In terms of the hearing today --
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             MR. LAND: Yes.
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             THE COURT: -- his letter indicates that he's
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    unable to be here for medical reasons. That's in paragraph
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             MR. LAND: That's correct.
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             THE COURT: -- of the letter September 14th.
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    There's no request for an adjournment in his letter.
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    Paragraph 7 he simply indicates that he appeals to the court
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    to see the evidence for what it is "and that is elderly
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    abuse of myself" and ask the court maintain the protection
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    orders going forward. And there's additional information in
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    that paragraph.
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              So --
             MR. LAND: I think the court finds itself --
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             THE COURT: -- I have his position.
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                                 The court finds itself in a
             MR. LAND:
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    position as a result of Justice Johnston's order by consent
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    at the case conference that there is affidavit material
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    already before the court that the court can rely upon.
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    clients are here today. So if the court wants to hear viva
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    voce evidence essentially confirming their affidavits in
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    respect of the matter, we could certainly do that today.
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    But I think probably, My Lady, all of the evidence is
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    already before the court in the form of those affidavits.
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                          So am I hearing you correctly that
              THE COURT:
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your clients wish to proceed with the hearing today? 1 MR. LAND: Absolutely. 2 THE COURT: Okay. Ms. Dixon. 3 Yes, My Lady. MS. DIXON: 4 THE CLERK: Speak into the microphone, please. 5 MS. DIXON: Sorry, I apologize. Yes, My Lady, we 6 are prepared to proceed, if that is what the court wishes. 7 THE COURT: Okay. Well, this matter -- madam 8 clerk, may I have one of the pockets, please? 9 This matter involves applications by three 10 individuals to have the protections order that Lionel 11 Bouchard obtained against them set aside. The three matters 12 were all considered at a case conference before my brother 13 Justice Johnston on March 17th, at which time a one day 14 hearing was ordered to take place on June 3rd, and at that 15 time I was sitting and there was a request 16 teleconference from Mr. Bouchard for an adjournment because 17 he was unable to be in Manitoba due to a medical 18 appointment. At that time I adjourned the matter, subject 19 to certain conditions, to a two day hearing to commence on 20 today's date and I made it clear to Mr. Bouchard that the 21 matter would be proceeding on that date. 22 As I indicated earlier this morning, I was advised 23 by registry staff of correspondence with, I'll say numerous 24 attachments in excess of 90 pages in total, a September 14th 25 letter from Mr. Bouchard in which, as I indicated earlier, 26 he advised that he's unable to be here due to medical 27 reasons, unable to travel, and he asked that the protection 28 orders be maintained. 29 Stalking Act Domestic Violence and The 30 specifically provides that evidence that was considered by 31 the judicial justice of the peace on a protection order 32 application is evidence at any hearing, evidence to be 33. considered by the court at any hearing to set aside the 34

| 1 | protection orders. So Mr. Bouchard's evidence and the |
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| 2 | materials that he filed and the transcript of the |
| 3 | proceedings before the judicial justice of the peace are |
| 4 | evidence before me. |
| 5 | I'm prepared to grant you leave to proceed today, |
| 6 | and in terms of the method of proceeding my the evidence |
| 7 | and the information and the written documents that were |
| 8 | before the judicial justice of the peace will each be marked |
| 9 | as exhibits. So each of the three applications for |
| 10 | protection orders, together with the appendices that were |
| 11 | attached to them, as well as the transcripts which appear to |
| 12 | be duplicate copies of the same transcript, there weren't |
| 13 | separate hearings, but I think each of those should be |
| 14 | marked as an exhibit because they are three separate |
| 15 | pockets. And then once that is done then I'll ask you how |
| 16 | you wish to proceed in terms of your clients' cases. |
| 17 | So the hearing will proceed. It's now, I note, |
| 18 | 11:05 and Mr. Bouchard indicated he wouldn't be here and in |
| 19 | fact he's not here and so after the exhibits are marked I'll |
| 20 | ask each of you how you wish to proceed with your client's |
| 21 | evidence. |
| 22 | So if you could start with one of the pockets, |
| 23 | madam clerk, and indicate which one will be Exhibit 1. |
| 24 | THE CLERK: The Staub pocket, My Lady, the |
| 25 | application for a protection order, document one, Exhibit 1. |
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| 27 | EXHIBIT 1 (STAUB): STAUB POCKET |
| 28 | CONTAINING APPLICATION FOR |
| 29 | PROTECTION ORDER |
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| 31 | THE CLERK: The protection order, document three |
| 32 | Exhibit 2. |

| 1 | EXHIBIT 2 (STAUB): PROTECTION |
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| 2 | ORDER |
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| 4 | THE CLERK: Affidavit of Lynda Staub, document |
| 5 | THE COURT: Oh, not her affidavit, just the |
| 6 | transcript. Just the applications, the protection orders |
| 7 | and the affidavits (sic) will be the exhibits and then I'll |
| 8 | ask counsel how they wish to proceed with respect to their |
| 9 | clients' evidence. |
| 10 | THE CLERK: Transcript then on the same pocket, |
| 11 | Exhibit 3, My Lady. |
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| 13 | EXHIBIT 3 (STAUB): TRANSCRIPT |
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| 15 | THE CLERK: On the Demery pocket, application for |
| 16 | protection order, document one, Exhibit 1, My Lady. |
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| 18 | EXHIBIT 1 (DEMERY): APPLICATION |
| 19 | FOR PROTECTION ORDER |
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| 21 | THE CLERK: Protection order, Exhibit document |
| 22 | three and Exhibit 2, My Lady. |
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| 24 | EXHIBIT 2 (DEMERY): PROTECTION |
| 25 | ORDER |
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| 27 | THE CLERK: Transcript, document eight, Exhibit 3, |
| 28 | My Lady. |
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| 30 | EXHIBIT 3 (DEMERY): TRANSCRIPT |
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| 32 | MS. DIXON: I'm sorry, what document was that? |
| 33 | THE CLERK: I'm sorry? |
| 34 | THE COURT: The transcript is which document, |

| 1 | madam clerk? |
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| 2 | THE CLERK: It was document eight on the Demery |
| 3 | pocket. |
| 4 | On the Bouchard pocket, Exhibit 1, application for |
| 5 | protection order, document one. |
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| 7 | EXHIBIT 1 (BOUCHARD): APPLICATION |
| 8 | FOR PROTECTION ORDER |
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| 10 | THE CLERK: Protection order, Exhibit 2, document |
| 11 | three. |
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| 13 | EXHIBIT 2 (BOUCHARD): PROTECTION |
| 14 | ORDER |
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| 16 | THE CLERK: Transcript of proceedings, Exhibit 3, |
| 17 | document seven. |
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| 19 | EXHIBIT 3 (BOUCHARD): TRANSCRIPT |
| 20 | THE COURT: Okay. Ms. Dixon, can I hear from you |
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| 22 | first because numerically the Staub file is the first file? MS. DIXON: Okay. May I have just one moment to |
| 23 | 선거들이 열심을 하는 것이 있는 것이 있는 것이 없는 것이 없어 없는 것이 없는 것이 없는 것이었다면 없는 것이 없는 것이 없어 없는 것이었다면 없는 것이 없어 없는 것이 없어 없는 것이 없어 |
| 24 | consult with Mr. Land THE COURT: Certainly. |
| 25 | MS. DIXON: My Lady? |
| 2627 | My Lady, the first thing we'd like to do is enter |
| 28 | the affidavits, the affidavit of Lynda Staub |
| 29 | THE COURT: So and I did read |
| 30 | MS. DIXON: as |
| 31 | THE COURT: the affidavits, as was indicated in |
| 32 | the case conference memoranda I should do. |
| 33 | MR. LAND: Yes. Paragraph 14(4). |
| 34 | THE COURT: So I have read the three affidavits. |
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| 1 | MR. LAND: Yes. |
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| 2 | THE COURT: So it's your desire then to have Ms. |
| 3 | Staub's affidavit? |
| 4 | MS. DIXON: Entered as an exhibit. Correct, My |
| 5 | Lady. |
| 6 | THE CLERK: That's sworn November 30th, 2009, My |
| 7 | Lady. |
| 8 | THE COURT: So that will be Exhibit 4 on that |
| 9 | pocket. |
| 10 | THE CLERK: Exhibit 4, My Lady. |
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| 12 | EXHIBIT 4 (STAUB): AFFIDAVIT SWORN |
| 13 | NOVEMBER 30, 2009 |
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| 15 | MS. DIXON: And you indicated you had read that |
| 16 | document, My Lady? |
| 17 | THE COURT: Yes, I did. |
| 18 | MS. DIXON: Yes. Okay. My Lady, if there are any |
| 19 | questions arising I can put my client on the stand. |
| 20 | THE COURT: I leave it to you as to whether you |
| 21 | feel you have any additional evidence that you want your |
| 22 | client to give or whether you are going to be relying on her |
| 23 | affidavit. |
| 24 | MS. DIXON: Thank you, My Lady. I will consult |
| 25 | with my client. |
| 26 | THE COURT: If you could. And then, Mr. Land, if |
| 27 | you could advise with respect to your clients' affidavits. |
| 28 | MR. LAND: Yes. My clients would like their |
| 29 | affidavits of December 8th, 2009 entered as exhibits on |
| 30 | their respective pockets. |
| 31 | THE CLERK: That will be Exhibit 4 on each of the |
| 32 | pockets, My Lady. |
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| 1 | EXHIBIT 4 (DEMERY): AFFIDAVIT |
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| 2 | SWORN DECEMBER 8, 2009 |
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| 4 | EXHIBIT 4 (BOUCHARD): AFFIDAVIT |
| 5 | SWORN DECEMBER 8, 2009 |
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| 7 | THE COURT: Yes, Ms. Dixon. |
| 8 | MS. DIXON: My Lady, I've consulted with my |
| 9 | client. She believes that her affidavit is sufficient, |
| 10 | unless there's anything you wish to cross-examine her or |
| 11 | question her about. |
| 12 | THE COURT: No, I have no questions for her in |
| 13 | relation to her affidavit. So you'll be relying on her |
| 14 | affidavit evidence then? |
| 15 | MS. DIXON: That is correct, My Lady. |
| 16 | THE COURT: All right. Mr. Land. |
| 17 | MR. LAND: My clients take the same position, My |
| 18 | Lady. |
| 19 | THE COURT: And did you have any additional |
| 20 | evidence, Ms. Dixon, that you wish to call? |
| 21 | MS. DIXON: No, My Lady, I have no additional |
| 22 | evidence. |
| 23 | THE COURT: Mr. Land? |
| 24 | MR. LAND: No, I have no additional evidence that |
| 25 | I would call, My Lady. |
| 26 | THE COURT: All right. Are you ready to proceed |
| 27 | to argument each of you then? |
| 28 | MR. LAND: We are. |
| 29 | MS. DIXON: Yeah. |
| 30 | THE COURT: Okay. Who wishes to proceed |
| 31 | first? |
| 32 | MS. DIXON: Well, Mr. Land was, was going to |
| 33 | proceed first, but we shall |
| 34 | THE COURT: That's fine. Mr. Land. |

MR. LAND: Yes, My Lady. 1 This application under the Domestic Violence and 2 Stalking Act has been before the courts for a considerable 3 period of time. It arose out of the granting of a 4 protection order under the act on October 31st, 2009. 5 The circumstances of the granting of that order 6 are somewhat unusual. It was an after hours application by 7 an individual who, in accordance with my clients' affidavit 8 material, was no longer a full-time resident within the 9 Province of Manitoba. He has maintained throughout that he 10 has a residence and that there are other court proceedings 11 that prevent him from occupying that residence. 12 evidence is clear that he's not been in the Province of 13 Manitoba on a residential basis since February of 2008. 14 Under the circumstances that was never canvassed in any of 15 the magistrate's questioning nor is it canvassed in the 16 application evidence that's before the, the court at that 17 time. 18 The other irregularity of that hearing, as I'm 19 sure you've noted, My Lady, is the fact that although Mr. 20 Bouchard was sworn, the applicant gave almost no evidence 21 whatsoever in respect of --22 THE COURT: Was he sworn? 23 MR. LAND: Well, that's a good question. I 24 25 believe --THE COURT: The transcript does not indicate that 26 27 he was. MR. LAND: I believe the, the magistrate at least 28 felt he was sworn before he makes a note in the transcript 29 that --30 THE COURT: There's a reference to Ms. LeGare not 31 32 being sworn. MR. LAND: Being sworn, correct. 33 THE COURT: But there doesn't appear -- from my 34

- 1 reading of the transcript it doesn't appear that Mr.
- 2 Bouchard was in fact sworn.
- MR. LAND: You are correct, My Lady. I'm looking
- 4 at the first page and there's no indication that he was
- 5 sworn. Therefore, it would appear as though the whole of
- 6 the transcript is not in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 the legislation which requires sworn evidence to be given
- 8 before a magistrate.
- 9 We're then left with the application form as the
- 10 only evidence in support of the application for the
- 11 protection order. The protection order application itself
- 12 is, needless to say, in all cases containing next to no
- 13 evidence and simply contains allegations of abuse, such
- 14 things as abusive financial behaviour.
- Just to, to go on, on one incident that's alleged
- 16 in the material, Claire Demery was suggested to have abused
- 17 a power of attorney. Her affidavit sets out the power of
- 18 attorney, it sets out why she used it, namely that her
- 19 father had disappeared from Manitoba in February of 2008.
- 20 She was concerned about him, so she called the Caisse
- 21 Populaire and had the line of credit that he had cancelled
- 22 to make sure that it wasn't subject to abuse. She did that
- 23 under a power of attorney.
- Shortly thereafter, within a matter of a week, a
- 25 letter arrived from Mr. Smith, which is also on the pocket,
- 26 indicating that the power of attorney for Ms. Demery was
- 27 cancelled and that the power of -- or the line of credit
- 28 should be resurrected.
- I'm not sure, My Lady, how any of that meets the
- 30 definition contained in the legislation of domestic
- 31 violence. The definition of itself is that there is the
- 32 intentional reckless or threaten to act or omission that
- 33 causes bodily harm or property damage. I for the life of me
- 34 cannot see any allegations that would indicate that any of

- 1 these parties have caused bodily harm or property damage to
- 2 the applicant.
- The additional provisions regarding domestic
- 4 violence would be the reasonable fear. Well, nothing that
- 5 has been put forward is reasonable, given the evidence
- 6 that's been stacked up against it. The suggestion of
- 7 financial abuse by the cancelling of a line of credit rather
- 8 than a utilization of the power of attorney to use the line
- 9 of credit, is what normally one would expect to see rather
- 10 than a, a cessation of damage, I can't see how that can be
- 11 seen as a reasonable fear for property when in fact it was
- 12 simply frozen.
- 13 Lastly, conduct that constitutes psychological or
- 14 emotional abuse. Again there is no evidence before the
- 15 court of any conduct that I would suggest comes anywhere
- 16 close to that type of behaviour that warrants one of these
- 17 orders. They have made allegations in the applications
- 18 about threatened "when she will see me they will gang up
- 19 with Andy, Lynda and Mike". Doesn't say what they're going
- 20 to gang up about, doesn't give any particulars as to what
- 21 the fear is about, simply that these people have an
- 22 association.
- There is information about cleaning out a home
- 24 while he was no longer in residence. That's dealt with in
- 25 Mr. Bouchard -- Andy Bouchard's affidavit and indicates why
- the home that he wanted to go back to after being absent for
- 27 a little over two years was not suitable for him to return
- 28 to. .
- 29 All of the allegations in the applications
- 30 themselves are just that, they're allegations that are not
- 31 supported by any evidence whatsoever. The indication in my
- 32 clients' affidavits is that they were very concerned and
- 33 remained very concerned about their father, that they
- 34 believe that he's under the influence of their sister

- 1 Marlene who has been the driving engine behind this process,
- 2 as can be seen from the applications which are in her
- 3 handwriting and all of the documentation that she tries to
- 4 file with the court, it comes under her signature or at her
- 5 hand.
- 6 My clients are still concerned. The, the
- 7 information that they've filed today or that they're put
- 8 before the court today just gives my clients further
- 9 concerns about their father's well-being while in the care
- 10 of Marlene.
- The bottom line here, My Lady, is there is no
- 12 significant evidence whatsoever nor was there on October
- 13 31st, 2009 when this order was granted that should result in
- 14 a protection order against these individuals. The glaring
- 15 lack of jurisdiction in the court to even grant this order
- 16 when Mr. Bouchard appears to have been a resident of British
- 17 Columbia for slightly over two years at the time that the
- 18 order was granted is indication that he is no longer,
- 19 although he wants to claim to be a resident of Manitoba, it
- 20 no longer has a residence here.
- They are in fact all indicative of the fact that
- 22 the magistrate was, I don't know how I should put this,
- 23 overwhelmed by Marlene and her stream of information that
- 24 she puts forward without any proof whatever, her stream of
- 25 allegations that grow more and more outrageous and
- 26 outlandish as this matter goes on. None of that is supposed
- 27 by the evidence and in fact is all contradicted by my
- 28 clients' evidence.
- I would submit, My Lady, that my clients have
- 30 tried to be as forthright with the court as possible in
- 31 bringing the application. They have submitted the
- 32 documentation that verifies their version of events.
- 33 Certainly I would also rely upon the affidavit of Lynda
- 34 Staub which is somewhat lengthier than my clients'

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- 1 affidavits but contains the same information in greater
- 2 detail and gives some more of the family background.
- This has been a very troubling matter for my
- 4 clients. It flows out of a very troubling family situation
- 5 which I don't think these protection orders do anything to
- 6 make it better or to proceed. Obviously Mr. Bouchard's lack
- 7 of residency and lack of even existence in the Province of
- 8 Manitoba makes this application moot in any event. The
- 9 purview of this application is obviously only within the
- 10 Province of Manitoba, but being a B.C. resident I see great
- 11 difficulty seeing as why he would have any need whatsoever
- 12 of such an order.
- My Lady, there are additional examples of the lack
- 14 of material or the lack of verification of allegations made
- 15 set out in the affidavits of Mr. Bouchard and Ms. Demery.
- 16 I've highlighted the one which is the power of attorney
- 17 abuse. There are others that I can certainly go from -- for
- 18 the court, however, I know the court's already read the
- 19 material and is well versed with it having read it twice
- 20 now.
- So unless the court has any further questions,
- 22 that would be my commentary.
- THE COURT: No questions, Mr. Land. Thank you.
- 24 Ms. Dixon.
- MS. DIXON: My Lady, this, this application that
- 26 has come before you today for trial is, is based -- we are
- 27 coming here saying that the evidence shows absolutely no
- 28 basis for the document -- pardon me, for the order to have
- 29 been granted in the first place.
- 30 First of all, Mr. Bouchard was a non-resident.
- 31 There doesn't seem to be any questioning about when -- where
- 32 his residency was, where he was currently living, how long
- 33 he had been living there or anything on the evidence.
- 34 Second of all, the evidence that was given, as, as

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1 we have already discussed, was not sworn. Mr. Bouchard was 2 not sworn in. That he, he appeared confused and in fact 3 most of the evidence wasn't even being given by him. Clear 4 reading of the transcript, most of the talking was done by Ms. LeGare and the, the magistrate clearly felt overwhelmed.

When you look at domestic violence, what it's 7 there for, who it's meant to protect and why it's meant to protect these people, you have to -- people who come before the court asking for an order, you have to look at what it is meant to do. Threats, property damage or bodily harm or actual bodily harm or property damage.

There is no evidence anywhere in -- anywhere on the pocket that there had been ever property damage or bodily harm done to Mr. Bouchard. Or reasonable fear is the second part of the Domestic Violence Act. There's reasonable grounds for fearing these people. In fact if you read Ms., Ms. Staub's affidavit, it was her father who asked her to protect him because he was afraid of Marlene, not afraid of her. That's page 6 of Ms. Staub's affidavit, My Lady, paragraph 16, I believe. Pardon me, page 5, paragraph 17 of Lynda Staub's affidavit sworn the 30th of November 2009.

My Lady, all of this has been orchestrated by someone who is trying to get even. We are concerned for Mr. Bouchard. He is the concern of this court and has been from the time that he came before the court on October 31st and he remains the concern of this court. However, he must have reasonable grounds to prove that, that he in fact does fear, could fear, should fear, not just grounds that have been fed to him. None of the allegations are supported. In fact they are countered in Ms. Staub's affidavit. They are all explained. The affidavit is sworn. The affidavit is properly prepared.

We believe that, that this has been a process

- 1 simply to harass. There has been no warning to anyone at
- 2 any time ahead of time that these people would not appear
- 3 for court. It is an abuse of process and has been right
- 4 from the beginning.
- An ex parte order granted after hours on a
- 6 Saturday night with pages and pages and pages of material,
- 7 most of which have very little, if any, connection with the
- 8 complainant is not a grounds for an order.
- 9 Mr. Bouchard was warned very carefully by the
- 10 court on June 3rd and Ms. LeGare heard as well. While
- 11 theories and allegations can abound, we do know one thing,
- 12 we have appeared as ordered by the court each and every
- 13 time. In fact the court appearances before that I
- 14 personally have made on behalf of this trial were on January
- 15 -- twice in January, January 18th, January 20th before a
- 16 Master, March 9th before Justice Allen, March 17th before
- 17 Justice Johnston, June 3rd before you and again today. In
- 18 addition, there were several non-contested motion
- 19 appearances and each time the case was adjourned.
- We finally get here. We get to the point where my
- 21 client has very clearly explained she has not abused her
- 22 father and in fact she has tried to help her father. When,
- 23 when her father has asked for assistance she is there. It
- 24 is her father who continues to make phone calls to her. She
- 25 does not contact him. There's been no stalking.
- What is the purpose of this Act? When did it come
- 27 in? Why did it come in? We all know, it is to protect
- 28 certain people. Mr. Bouchard is not one of those people.
- 29 The matter should be dismissed.
- THE COURT: Thank you, Ms. Dixon. I'm going to
- 31 take the materials, the exhibits back to my office and I
- 32 will be providing you with my decision orally, but I'm going
- 33 to need some time to do so. And this matter had originally
- 34 been scheduled to be in court tomorrow as well, so I'd like

1 you to come back tomorrow morning at ten o'clock, at which 2 time I will provide you with my decision.

3 Now, whether or not you're able to deal with the issue of costs, if you want to make a submission of costs 4 5 after you hear my decision, I don't know, so depending on the decision I give to you I'm -- you may want to 6 prepared to speak to that issue. If not, depending on the 7 outcome of my decision, then that's something that we can 8 schedule another time for, if that's what you'd like to do. 9 But just because I know that your clients have already 10 appeared several times and presumably will be back tomorrow 11 to hear my decision, it may be helpful if you're prepared in 12 either eventuality to deal with the issue of costs, all 13 14 right? 15 MR. LAND: Yes. THE COURT: So until ten o'clock tomorrow morning. 16 MS. DIXON: Yes, My Lady. 17 MR. LAND: Yes. Thank you, My Lady. 18 19 MS. DIXON: Thank you. THE CLERK: Order, all rise. 20

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