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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CANADA

Respondent

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Judgment delivered from the Bench at Montréal, Quebec, on September 16, 2015.

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[1] Richard Timm (the appellant) is appealing from a decision of Justice Luc Martineau of the Federal Court (2014 FC 587) dismissing his application for judicial review of a ministerial decision dated May 27, 2013.

- [2] In that decision, the Minister of Justice refused to conduct a new preliminary assessment of this [TRANSLATION] "second" application for review of his criminal conviction (subsection 4(5) of the *Regulations Respecting Applications for Ministerial Review Miscarriages of Justice* [the Regulations]).
- [3] The appellant has not persuaded us that the judge made any errors that would call for our intervention.
- [4] The only new fact or evidence presented in support of his second review application is the inexistence of a written incriminating statement that was allegedly not considered by the Minister in connection with the appellant's first review application (Appeal Record, page 127, paragraph 6).
- [5] That statement was allegedly used to obtain a search warrant in 1993 and cannot be found. The information laid to obtain the search warrant states only that the appellant mentioned certain incriminating facts to two police officers during a meeting.
- [6] Accordingly, there is nothing that would allow us to conclude that the Minister based his decision on a written statement that does not exist. Moreover, the appellant has not established how all this constitutes significant information for the purposes of section 696.1 of the *Criminal Code*, (R.S.C., 1985, c. C-46), and the Regulations, that is, information that is relevant to the issue of his guilt and that could have affected the verdict (Tab 11 of the Book of Authorities).

| [7] | In the circumstances, we are of the opinion that the Minister's decision is reasonable. |
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| [8] | The appeal will be dismissed. |
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| | "Johanne Gauthier" |
| | J.A. |
| Certified true translation François Brunet, Revisor | |

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(APPEAL FROM THE JUDGMENT AND REASONS OF THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE MARTINEAU OF THE FEDERAL COURT DATED JUNE 20, 2014, DISMISSING THE APPLICATION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW WITH COSTS IN DOCKET NO. T-1063-13.)

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