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[1] This is an appeal from a decision of Madam Justice Wood of the Tax Court of Canada, dated March 12, 2009, 2009 TCC 146, which dismissed the appellant's appeal from the Minister of Revenue's (the "Minister") reassessments of his 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 taxation years.

[2] During the years at issue, the appellant received distributions of income from foreign investment corporations. In filing his income tax returns for the years at issue, the appellant took the position that a certain portion of the amounts received by him was of a capital nature and thus

taxable as capital gain. The amounts received by the appellant were amounts earned by the foreign corporations and paid to him on a *pro rata* basis per unit or share owned. None of the amounts received by the appellant resulted from the disposal of shares or units in these corporations.

[3] The Minister reassessed the appellant and included in his taxable income the full amount of the distributions as dividends and other investments. In reassessing the appellant, the Minister relied, *inter alia*, on section 90 and paragraph 12(1)(k) of the *Income Tax Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. 1.

[4] The Judge dismissed the appellant's appeal because she was of the view that the Minister was correct in treating the foreign distributions of income to the appellant as dividends. In her view, there was no basis upon which the distributions could be treated as capital gains for tax purposes.

[5] In so concluding, the Judge indicated that she could not accept the appellant's submission that the foreign entities from which the appellant received the distributions were not corporations and that flow-through treatment should apply to capital gains realized because the funds acted in an agency capacity. In her view, there was no evidence to support the appellant's assertions.

[6] We are satisfied, in the light of the evidence and the applicable law, that the Judge made no error which would justify intervention on our part.

[7] The appeal will therefore be dismissed with costs.

"M. Nadon"

J.A.

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