Citation: 2009 TCC 184 Dockets: 2008-2993(CPP); 2008-2994(EI)

BETWEEN:

FARAHNAZ SHAHMOHAMMADIAN,

Appellant,

and

THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL REVENUE,

Respondent,

and

ATLAS TRAVEL & HOLIDAYS INC.,

Intervener.

CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPT OF REASONS FOR JUDGMENT

Let the attached certified transcript of my Reasons for Judgment delivered orally from the Bench at Toronto, Ontario, on February 9, 2009, be filed.

"N. Weisman"
Weisman D.J.

Signed in Toronto, Ontario, this 22nd day of April 2009.

TAX COURT OF CANADA

IN RE: the Canada Pension Plan and the Employment Insurance Act

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ORAL REASONS OF THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE WEISMAN

in the Courts Administration Service, Federal Judicial Centre, 180 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario on Monday, February 9, 2009 at 4:12 p.m.

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    --- Upon commencing the Oral Reasons on Monday,
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        February 9, 2009 at 4:12 p.m.
                      JUSTICE WEISMAN: Farinaz Shahi
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    appeals against two determinations by the
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    respondent Minister of National Revenue (the
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    "Minister") that she was an independent contractor
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    travel agent by the intervener, Atlas Travel &
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    2007, which hereinafter will be referred to as the
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1 quidelines established by the Federal Court of
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- 2 Appeal in Wiebe Door Services Incorporated v.
- 3 M.N.R., which is cited at (1986), 87 DTC 5025,
- 4 namely, the right to control, the ownership of
- 5 tools, and the worker's chance of profit and risk
- 6 of loss in her working relationship with the
- 7 intervener.
- 8 Adverting first to the control
- 9 guideline, Exhibit R-1, which I believe the
- 10 Registrar has, is the respondent's book of
- 11 documents. Tab 4 contains one of two contracts
- 12 executed by the parties, and they are both
- 13 executed, I believe, on the same day, which is
- 14 May 7, 2006.
- 15 Page 7, which is on page 48 of the
- 16 respondent's book of documents, has a list of the
- 17 responsibilities of the inside sales administrator,
- 18 who is the appellant before the Court. Without
- 19 reading word for word the many responsibilities
- 20 which extend to page 48 and right through to almost
- 21 the whole of 49, it says that:
- "The consultant ... "
- 23 -- namely the appellant, or the
- 24 inside sales and administrator --
- 25 " ... shall ... "

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                      -- which is directory, as opposed
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    (a) solicit new accounts; (c) be aware of the
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    several indemnities by the inside sales person of
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    the appellant; (f) says that approval of any credit
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    salesperson is allowed to finalize any such
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    and sales made or expected, and corporations and
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    individuals visited.
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                      Subparagraph (h), the consultant
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    has to confer with the appellant's designated
    person or persons to determine and ascertain the
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    forbids them to deal with agency or house accounts,
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either existing or under negotiation. You are

- 1 further not allowed to bind the agency by incurring
- 2 expenses and they could not contract without agency
- 3 consent, again, another indemnity if they defaulted
- 4 in that clause.
- 5 And (f), another indemnity: they
- 6 have to indemnify the appellant if any Court such
- 7 as myself holds the inside sales administrator to
- 8 be an employee, despite agreement to the contrary.
- 9 On page 78, there is a provision
- 10 for the intervener to pay for the appellant's
- 11 business cards. I will interject here that I find
- 12 that particular provision of no probative value,
- 13 because there is jurisprudence, and I believe it is
- 14 in Wolf, that virtually no weight is given by the
- 15 courts to who pays for the business cards or such
- 16 things as business cards.
- 17 There is also a provision covering
- 18 hotel cancellation fees. Whenever there was a loss
- 19 that was a mistake of the consultant for which the
- 20 consultant was responsible, they would be
- 21 responsible for payment, reimbursing the intervener
- 22 for that mistake. The evidence of the appellant
- 23 was that she had a choice; she could either accept
- 24 that sort of restrictive provision or quit. As a
- 25 matter of fact, it was her testimony that as a

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1 result of her speaking up with reference to several
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- 2 issues, she was terminated.
- I concluded from the evidence that
- 4 there was a considerable amount of control
- 5 exercised by the intervener over the appellant by
- 6 this agreement. Then, when I couple that with the
- 7 evidence that I heard by the appellant, which was
- 8 really not disagreed with in any major respect by
- 9 the intervener, that the appellant had to abide by
- 10 a schedule of shifts that she had possession, not
- 11 only of a key to the premises, the business
- 12 premises, but she had the security code, which is
- 13 unusual for an independent contractor, that she had
- 14 a duty to open and close the premises when she was
- 15 either on the first shift or on the last shift,
- 16 that the impression of control was reinforced.
- 17 In the evidence covered by the
- 18 appellant, I believe it was assumption 9(k) that
- 19 she specifically demolished; it assumes that she
- 20 could quote higher fees, or could discount. The
- 21 evidence did not accord with that. The evidence
- 22 that I accept is that she could certainly quote
- 23 higher fees but, when it came to giving discounts,
- 24 she would need the prior approval of the
- 25 intervener. When I questioned the intervener in

- 1 that regard, her evidence was less than clear as to
- 2 what her cost was that was not to be exceeded by
- 3 the commissioned salesperson. In any event, I was
- 4 satisfied that the evidence demolished that
- 5 assumption; there was sort of a one-way freedom, if
- 6 I may refer to it as such.
- 7 Now what is interesting from the
- 8 legal point of view is that even with independent
- 9 contractors, the law permits a certain amount of
- 10 monitoring; one, just because they are an
- 11 independent contractor, is not free to do whatever
- 12 they want. The person engaging them has the right
- 13 to monitor the quality of their work or that they
- 14 in fact complied with the terms of the agreement.
- Then that brings us into this
- 16 series of cases that says roughly that. You start
- 17 with Charbonneau v. M.N.R., [1996] FCJ No. 1337, in
- 18 the Federal Court of Appeal; one must not confuse
- 19 controlling the worker with monitoring the result.
- The question that one such as
- 21 myself has to bear in mind is that even though
- 22 there are rules, are they rules that are necessary
- 23 for the orderly running of this business or do they
- 24 go over the line into the area of control? That
- 25 indeed is the main issue that I watched as the

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evidence came in so far as the control issue was
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    concerned.
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            They start off which Charbonneau, but then
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    you have City Water v. M.N.R., [2006] FCA 350, in
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    the Federal Court of Appeal, which relies upon
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    Livreur Plus Inc. v. M.N.R., [2004] FCJ No. 267.
    Livreur Plus Inc., in paragraph 19, says:
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    shifts is certainly reasonable, whether you are
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    dealing with employees or independent contractors
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    because the business day has to be covered by
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    the early shift whether or not they like it and,
    other people, the late shift.
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    Article 2099 speaks slightly different language.
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    It says that the essence, the essential feature, of
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    an employee is that they are in a relationship of
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- 1 subordination with the employer. I have always
- 2 found that a useful addition to common-law
- 3 principles when trying to decide whether or not a
- 4 person is an employee or an independent contractor.
- 5 The issue in this case, is there a
- 6 relationship of subordination? -- I might say that
- 7 that word first came to my attention in
- 8 Charbonneau, which I have already quoted. I have
- 9 decided that yes, I do think that the appellant in
- 10 these proceedings was in a relationship of
- 11 subordination with the intervener mainly because
- 12 she was working inside, under the intervener's
- 13 roof, in the intervener's business premises. She
- 14 was not free to come and go as she pleased. She
- 15 had these many contractual responsibilities. She
- 16 had to actually open the shop if she was on that
- 17 shift and she had to close it if she was on a late
- 18 shift. While I have indicated that on the one hand
- 19 it seems reasonable in order to run an orderly
- 20 business where a client's needs are met, whether
- 21 they come in early in the morning or late at night,
- 22 it nevertheless is indicative that there was a lack
- 23 of independence in the appellant. There was a
- 24 degree of subordination and therefore I conclude
- 25 that the control factor on these facts tends to

1 indicate that the appellant was an employee under a

- 2 contract of service.
- 3 The second criterion or guideline
- 4 was the ownership of tools. Since the appellant
- 5 was an inside salesperson, the intervener provided
- 6 all the space and the tools and the desk and the
- 7 telephones and the computer and its software and
- 8 the specialized ticket-issuing software that she
- 9 required to do her job. Indeed, there is evidence
- 10 that she brought with her her headphones, her cell
- 11 phone headset and her phone book. But there is no
- 12 question that the bulk of the tools necessary to do
- 13 the job were provided by the intervener.
- 14 When I say provided, I have to go
- 15 on and say that they were provided at a cost of
- 16 50 percent of the appellant's commissions; in other
- 17 words, she was paying for all those tools. It can
- 18 in no way be said that the tools were something
- 19 that was given to her by the payer which otherwise
- 20 would indicate that she was an employee, it is very
- 21 clear that because she paid heavily 50 percent of
- 22 her commissions for the various services,
- 23 including the tools, that the tools factor
- 24 indicates that she was an independent contractor;
- 25 briefly, employees do not have to pay for their

- 1 desks and supplies.
- 2 That brings me to the chance of
- 3 profit. Since the appellant was a commissioned
- 4 salesperson, clearly the more she sold the more she
- 5 earned. She can enhance her earnings by sound
- 6 management, by gaining a good reputation, by the
- 7 use of expertise. By her knowledge of both the
- 8 Turkish and Farsi languages, she could expand her
- 9 client base. She could and indeed did advertise
- 10 and she used her cellular phone even though she had
- 11 access to the company phone, which leads to the
- 12 inference that that was being used on weekends to
- 13 contact her clients. All that indicates that she
- 14 was in the position to profit by sound management,
- 15 and profit in a business sense in that she could,
- 16 by her efforts and sound management ensure that her
- 17 business income exceeded her business expenses.
- Indeed, we have learned rather
- 19 late in the proceedings, from
- 20 Mr. Behman Mehdizadeh, that she was free to sell
- 21 wholesale because it did not conflict with the
- 22 interests of the appellant who only dealt in
- 23 retail. So she could sell hotels or automobile
- 24 rentals to other agents on a wholesale basis which,
- 25 again, would enhance her chance of profit. The

- 1 chance of profit factor indicates that she was an
- 2 independent contractor.
- 3 Risk of loss: I have already said
- 4 that one must be careful as a payer in view of the
- 5 law not to be too controlling because there is a
- 6 risk of going over the line and having some finder
- 7 of fact conclude that there was a relationship of
- 8 subordination here rather than of independence. In
- 9 a similar vein, the written agreement between the
- 10 parties provides for numerous payments that had to
- 11 be made by the appellant to the intervener
- 12 starting, of course, with the 50 percent of her
- 13 commissions, whether or not the appellant collected
- 14 them from the customer or client; that is
- 15 paragraph 5.9.
- In my view, that is rather a
- 17 restrictive and onerous clause, but that is not
- 18 really my interest at this stage. My interest is
- 19 that it constitutes a risk of loss; she is bearing
- 20 the burden by contract of bad debts, unusual for an
- 21 employee.
- In her submissions, the appellant
- 23 tried to establish that she, contrary to the
- 24 Minister's assumption in that regard, did not have
- 25 the right to refuse to service any particular

1	client and turn him or her over to another
2	salesperson. The law is that the Minister's
3	assumptions are deemed to be true unless they are
4	demolished by evidence given by the appellant, and
5	there was nothing during the hearing that
6	demolished that assumption. Therefore, I have to
7	conclude that it was true.
8	There are ramifications to that
9	because this right of refusal is specifically
10	referred to in cases such as Precision Gutters, at
11	paragraph 27, where the Court says:
12	"In my view, the ability to
13	negotiate the terms of a
14	contract entails a chance of
15	profit and risk of loss in the
16	same way that allowing an
17	individual the right to accept
18	or decline to take a job
19	entails a chance of profit and
20	a risk of loss."
21	I might digress because my notes
22	indicated that very early on in her evidence the
23	appellant stated that she went into the office and
24	she negotiated the contract that she ultimately
25	signed. On the one hand she says it was

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negotiated, on the other hand, she says, "I had a
    choice either of taking it or of going elsewhere."
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     But that admission, that it was negotiated, fits
    right in with paragraph 27 of Precision Gutters;
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    chance of profit and a risk of loss. I believe
    that was assumption 9(v) that was not demolished.
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    had expenses; there was no evidence demolishing
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    that. Subparagraph 9(y) stands up, that she had to
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    fix any errors that she made on her own time and
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    expense, another risk of loss, as was
    paragraph 9(aa) - cheques returned for
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    non-sufficient funds. She bore the risk of that,
    which brings me to ; 671122 Ontario Ltd. v. Sagaz
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    Industries Canada Inc., [2001] S.C.J. No.61,
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    Justice Major says:
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                      -- which were the parties in
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                         sales of Sagaz's products. As
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1	such, the risk of loss and the
2	opportunity for profit depended
3	on whether AIM's expenses (such
4	as travel expenses) exceeded
5	its commissions."
6	Here we have the Supreme Court of
7	Canada adverting specifically to commission
8	salespersons, which the appellant was. This review
9	of the various potential liabilities and actual
10	expenses and the risk of loss that she had as a
11	commissioned salesman all indicate that there was a
12	substantial risk of loss, which points towards her
13	being an independent contractor.
14	The final factor that I am obliged
15	to canvass is the total relationship between the
16	parties. Before I do, I wanted to mention
17	something about credibility. The appellant spent
18	considerable time, as is her right, cross-examining
19	the witness for the intervener. I would assess the
20	tenor of virtually all the questions as an
21	endeavour to impeach the witness's credibility.
22	However, the issues raised, rather than being of
23	central importance so far as the four in one
24	guidelines set down in Wiebe Door are concerned,
25	they seemed to me to be more emotional issues that

- 1 troubled the appellant, such as whether or not the
- 2 desk fee was explicitly set out as an expense to
- 3 the appellant in the agreement, or was it assumed
- 4 to be part of the 50 percent deducted from her
- 5 commissions and whether or not she used her cell
- 6 phone on weekends, whether or not she was trained
- 7 on ticketing by the intervener, whether it was four
- 8 months after she started, or seven, when she took
- 9 her vacation, the number of desks that there were
- 10 and whether or not an outside agency would use
- 11 them.
- 12 My general conclusion was that
- 13 line of cross-examination had the opposite effect
- 14 to that intended by the appellant because
- 15 Ms Mohajer, one of the two witnesses for the
- 16 intervener, turned out to be very knowledgeable, to
- 17 have a very good recall of events. She was fair in
- 18 her testimony. Overall, the series of questions
- 19 tended to enhance her credibility rather than
- 20 detract from it.
- 21 Let me now advert to the final
- 22 relevant consideration which is really what the
- 23 whole investigation of control and ownership of
- 24 tools and chance of profit and risk of loss are in
- 25 service of discovering, which is the total

- 1 relationship of the parties.
- The first thing I would mention is
- 3 that it, early on, was clear that the appellant
- 4 filed her income tax return as an independent
- 5 contractor, deducting business expenses. It turned
- 6 out that she deducted a total of \$8,781.50 from her
- 7 business income; advertising, \$368.00; meals and
- 8 entertainment, \$2,453.50; office expenses, \$127.00;
- 9 supplies, \$159.00; auto expense, \$2,193.00; phone
- 10 expense, \$772.00; other expenses, \$2,709.00, being
- 11 made up of clothing of \$1,989.00, and then other
- 12 expenses of \$608.00, \$112.00 for a computer and
- 13 finally home expenses of \$1,464.70.
- 14 There are two things to be said
- 15 about that. The first is it does not enhance one's
- 16 credibility when, on the one hand, they file income
- 17 tax returns as an independent contractor and claim
- 18 the benefit of deducting allowable amounts under
- 19 the Income Tax Act and then, on the other hand,
- 20 when they want to receive maternity benefits, they
- 21 become an employee and apply for those benefits.
- But, more important, the
- 23 jurisprudence indicates that when one files their
- 24 income tax return as an independent contractor, as
- 25 a person in business on their own account, that is

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1 an indication of their intention in the working
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- 2 relationship between them and the payer to be an
- 3 independent contractor.
- 4 I would quote paragraph 75 of
- 5 Combined Insurance Co. of America v. M.N.R.,
- 6 [2007] FCJ No. 124. The fact that in her
- 7 2003 taxation year the respondent was regarded as a
- 8 self-employed worker and at that time deducted from
- 9 her income the expenses she had incurred is in my
- 10 view indicative of her understanding of the
- 11 contracts she had concluded with the appellant.
- 12 Another factor in the total
- 13 relationship is that the evidence is that she had
- 14 clients of her own that she brought with her to the
- 15 intervener when she changed positions. That is
- 16 significant because she had people, in other words,
- 17 who were loyal to her, which is goodwill in an
- 18 accounting sense, and which she had the ability to
- 19 enhance by sound management.
- 20 I also note that very early on in
- 21 her Notice of Appeal it was evident that she had a
- 22 certain amount of -- when I say she, the appellant,
- 23 had a certain amount of resentment at having to
- 24 open the premises at 9:00 when she had the early
- 25 shift, and lock them up -- I am sorry, open them at

- 1 8:00, when she had an early shift, and locking them
- 2 up at 8:00 when had the late shift when, in her
- 3 view, that was more of a duty of Ms Mohajer, who
- 4 had the liberty of not getting up early in the
- 5 morning or staying late at night to accomplish
- 6 those tasks.
- 7 The other piece of evidence that
- 8 was of interest was the mystery with reference to
- 9 two contracts, both executed by both parties, both
- 10 dated the same day, but one having a very important
- 11 clause, guaranteeing the appellant the thousand
- 12 dollars a month salary and the other not.
- But I decided not to give any
- 14 weight to that discrepancy because, as was pointed
- 15 out in the evidence, her commissions were
- 16 sufficient in the two years that she worked with
- 17 the intervener that at no time did she complain or
- 18 make an issue or go to any tribunal about this
- 19 supposedly missing thousand dollars. I concluded
- 20 that she abandoned it.
- 21 In fairness to the appellant, the
- 22 evidence did disclose two facts in the parties'
- 23 relationship that were not consistent with the
- 24 appellant being an independent contractor. The
- 25 first was the letter dated December 20, 2007 from

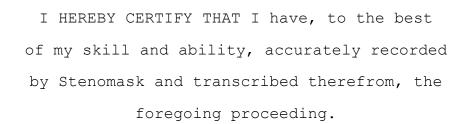
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1 the intervener, Atlas, giving her $1,050.00, being
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- 2 two weeks' pay in lieu of notice. It is clear that
- 3 independent contractors do not get pay in lieu of
- 4 notice.
- 5 That was partially explained by
- 6 Ms Mohajer in her testimony, that there was a lot
- 7 of confusion at that time and she was tired and it
- 8 was a gesture of goodwill; it was two weeks before
- 9 Christmas and she did not want to see the appellant
- 10 go through that Christmas period with no funds.
- 11 But, nevertheless, that is not something that
- 12 enhances the intervener's position. Indeed, she
- 13 acknowledged in the box that she made a mistake.
- 14 The other thing is the wording in
- 15 the contract about which I queried the intervener;
- 16 this is clause 5.1 in tab 4 of Exhibit 1. It talks
- 17 about what the 50 percent is for. Item 1 is
- 18 "source-deducted commissions collected." That
- 19 phraseology intrigued me from the beginning because
- 20 the position of the intervener is that she agreed
- 21 from the beginning that there would be no
- 22 deductions at source. The witness for the
- 23 intervener explained that that is not what source
- 24 deductions means; that source deductions have a
- 25 different meaning in the airline industry than they

- 1 do in tax law. While the common understanding in
- 2 this Court is that source deductions refers to
- 3 income tax and Canada Pension Plan contributions
- 4 and employment insurance premiums, in the airline
- 5 industry, it is talking about gross sales
- 6 commissions less 50 percent source deductions for
- 7 desks, et cetera; I was inclined to find that
- 8 credible.
- 9 As I say, while at first blush it
- 10 did not look to be consistent with an independent
- 11 contractor status, I was satisfied with the
- 12 intervener's explanation.
- In the result, the control factor
- 14 in my view tends to indicate that the appellant was
- 15 an employee; the tools, chance of profit and risk-
- 16 of-loss factors indicate that she was an
- 17 independent contractor. Three out of the four
- 18 factors indicate that she was an independent
- 19 contractor. As was the case in my decision in
- 20 126873 Ontario Ltd. (c.o.b. Autopark Superstore) v.
- 21 M.N.R., [2007] TCC 442, I think the most important
- 22 factors of all the Wiebe Door guidelines are the
- 23 chance of profit and risk of loss, and they are so
- 24 abundantly clear in this particular situation of a
- 25 commission salesperson that they are to be given

- 1 more weight in this case than the control factor.
- 2 As we know in these proceedings
- 3 the burden is on the appellant to demolish the
- 4 assumptions contained in the Minister's Reply to
- 5 her Notice of Appeal. I found that only one was
- 6 successfully demolished by the evidence, and that
- 7 was 9(k), whether or not she could grant discounts
- 8 without prior approval of the payer; the remaining
- 9 assumptions were sufficient to support the
- 10 Minister's determinations.
- 11 That finding is necessary as laid
- 12 down by the Federal Court of Appeal in Jencan Ltd.
- 13 Offhand, I do not have that citation. But if
- 14 anybody really needs it, I can provide it. No, I
- 15 do not have it.
- I have investigated all the facts
- 17 with the parties and the witnesses called on the
- 18 appellant's behalf, and testified under oath for
- 19 the first time, as well as the witnesses called on
- 20 the intervener's behalf, and I found no new facts
- 21 and nothing to indicate that the facts inferred or
- 22 relied upon by the Minister were unreal or
- 23 incorrectly assessed or misunderstood.
- I find that the appellant was in
- 25 business on her own account as a commissioned,

- 1 inside travel agent. The Minister's conclusions
- 2 are accordingly objectively reasonable.
- 3 As a result, I must dismiss both
- 4 appeals and confirm the decisions of the Minister.
- 5 The last comment I would like to
- 6 make, with some pleasure, is with reference to
- 7 Mr. Clements. Mr. Clements has conducted himself
- 8 in this Court, and his demeanour and poise were
- 9 commensurate with someone with many more years
- 10 before the Bar than Mr. Clements has. It was a
- 11 pleasure to listen to him. I congratulate you.
- I will recess Court till 9:30 on
- 13 Wednesday morning.
- 14 THE REGISTRAR: This hearing is
- 15 now closed for today and will resume here again on
- 16 Wednesday, at 9:30.
- 17 --- Whereupon the hearing concluded at 5:03 p.m.



Robert Lee, Certified Court Reporter

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