

Montreal, December 27th, 1922

Professor J. E. Morin,
St. Famille St., City.

Dear Sir,

RE. MORIN VS. WALTER, NO. 783, MONTMAGNY

I have carefully read the judgment of Judge Belleau with a view of reporting whether, in my opinion, you ought to go to appeal or not, and I am unqualifiedly of opinion favoring appeal.

1. The judgment is one of the most defective I have ever seen, and I think it so defective that it can be attacked almost without any reference to the proof, although of course, I am quite sure from what I hear of the proof, that it is against the general tenor of that also. I find it full of the gravest legal defects on its face, and that it is founded, like the assertions of Walter which it cites, entirely on "rumors" and "suspicions" which are no legal grounds whatever, according to all standard authors.

Furthermore, it ignores, as it had no legal right to do, the judgment of the Court of the King's Bench previously rendered, declaring you absolutely innocent and settling that fact for all time. Only the inexperience of the judge seems to be an excuse for such errors, and the judgment contains several others of a similar character, in my opinion the Court of Appeal will reverse it.

Faithfully yours,

(signed) W. D. Lighthall, K.C.

Mr. Gonzalve Desaulniers K.C. concurs in the above.