Reporter of Decisions Decision No. Mem 06-163 Docket No. Cum-06-93

DARLENE COPP

v.

SCOTT A. LIBERTY

Submitted on Briefs October 20, 2006 Decided October 27, 2006

Panel: CLIFFORD, ALEXANDER, CALKINS, and LEVY, JJ. MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Scott A. Liberty appeals from a discovery order entered in the Superior Court (Cumberland County, *Jabar*, *J.*) granting Darlene Copp's request to depose Liberty's counsel. Copp is the plaintiff and Liberty is one of several defendants in this fraudulent conveyance action. Liberty acknowledges that the discovery order is an interlocutory order and does not fall within the collateral order, death knell, or judicial economy exceptions to the final judgment rule. He requests that we adopt the *Perlman* exception to the final judgment rule based on *Perlman v. United States*, 247 U.S. 7 (1918). We decline to do so under the particular facts and circumstances of this dispute. Because the discovery order does not fall within any of the exceptions to the final judgment rule, we must dismiss the appeal. The entry is:

Appeal dismissed.

Attorney for plaintiff:

Jeffrey Bennett, Esq. The Bennett Law Firm, P.A. P.O. Box 7799 Portland, ME 04112-7799

Attorney for defendant:

Kevin M. Cuddy, Esq. Cuddy & Lanham 470 Evergreen Woods Bangor, ME 04401