

R. v. Labrecque, [1997] 3 S.C.R. 1001

Claude Labrecque

Appellant

v.

Her Majesty The Queen

Respondent

Indexed as: R. v. Labrecque

File No.: 25651.

1997: November 7.

Present: L'Heureux-Dubé, Gonthier, McLachlin, Iacobucci and Bastarache JJ.

on appeal from the court of appeal for quebec

Criminal law -- Evidence -- Prior inconsistent statements -- Sexual assault -- Child's testimony at trial inconsistent with her prior statements -- Reliability of child's prior statements -- Court of Appeal's judgment affirmed.

APPEAL from a judgment of the Quebec Court of Appeal, [1996] R.J.Q. 2850, 112 C.C.C. (3d) 472 (*sub nom. R. v. L. (C.)*), [1996] Q.J. No. 3550 (QL) (*sub nom. R. v. C.L.*), setting aside the accused's acquittal on a charge of sexual assault and ordering a new trial. Appeal dismissed.

Gervais Labrecque and Louise Plamondon, for the appellant.

Robert Parrot, for the respondent.

English version of the judgment of the Court delivered orally by

- 1 L'HEUREUX-DUBÉ J. -- This is an appeal as of right. We are all of the view that the appeal should be dismissed essentially for the reasons given by Madam Justice Rousseau-Houle, in which the Quebec Court of Appeal unanimously concurred. The appeal is therefore dismissed.

Judgment accordingly.

Solicitors for the appellant: Labrecque, Robitaille & Associés, Québec.

Solicitor for the respondent: Robert Parrot, Québec.