Case In Point

Supreme Court of Canada Denies Leave to Appeal in *Carrigan*

Date: March 28, 2013

Today, the Supreme Court of Canada denied leave to appeal from the Ontario Court of Appeal decision in *Carrigan v. Carrigan.*

The Court of Appeal's decision awarded the payment of the pre-retirement death benefit payable under an Ontario registered pension plan to a member's designated beneficiaries rather than to his common law spouse (Ms Quinn), thereby marking a departure from the pension industry's widely held interpretation of section 48 of the *Pension Benefits Act*.

For more information on the leave to appeal denial, see our *FTR No*w of March 28, 2013 "Supreme Court Denies Leave in *Carrigan*."