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## **CHAPTER C-1.1**

## CANADIAN JUDGMENTS (ENFORCEMENT) ACT

1. In this Act	Definitions
<ul> <li>(a) "Canadian judgment" means</li> <li>(i) a final judgment or order made in a civil proceeding by a court of a province of Canada other than Prince Edward Island,</li> <li>(ii) a final order that is made in the exercise of a judicial function by a tribunal of a province of Canada other than Prince Edward Island and that is enforceable as a judgment of the superior court of unlimited trial jurisdiction of the province where the order was made, and</li> <li>(iii) an order that is made under section 725 or 726 of the <i>Criminal Code</i> (Canada) by a court of a province of Canada other than Prince Edward Island and that is entered as a judgment in the superior court of unlimited trial jurisdiction of the province where the order was made;</li> </ul>	Canadian judgment
(b) "judgment creditor" means a person entitled to enforce a Canadian judgment;	judgment creditor
(c) "judgment debtor" means a person liable under a Canadian judgment;	judgment debtor
(d) "registered Canadian judgment" means a Canadian judgment that is registered under this Act. 1994, c.5, s.1.	registered Canadian judgment
<ul> <li>2. This Act applies to <ul> <li>(a) a Canadian judgment made in a proceeding commenced after this Act comes into force; and</li> <li>(b) a Canadian judgment made in a proceeding commenced before this Act comes into force if the judgment debtor took part in the proceeding. 1994, c.5, s.2.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Application of Act
<ul> <li>3. (1) Subject to section 6, a Canadian judgment for the payment of money may be registered under this Act for the purpose of enforcing payment of the money unless the judgment is</li> <li>(a) for maintenance or support, including an order enforceable under the <i>Maintenance Enforcement Act</i> R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. M-1; or</li> <li>(b) for the payment of money as a penalty or fine for committing an offence.</li> </ul>	Right to register judgment
(2) A Canadian judgment that contains provisions for the payment of money and also contains other provisions may be registered under this	Money judgment

Procedure for registering judgment Cap. C-1.1

c.5, s.3.

**4.** A Canadian judgment is registered under this Act by paying the prescribed fee and by filing in the registry of the Supreme Court

Act only in respect of the provisions for the payment of money. 1994,

(a) a copy of the judgment certified as true by a judge, registrar, clerk or other proper officer of the court or tribunal that made the judgment; and

(b) the additional information or material required by regulation. 1994, c.5, s.4.

**5.** Subject to sections 6 and 7, a registered Canadian judgment may be enforced in Prince Edward Island as if it were a judgment of, and entered in, the Supreme Court. 1994, c.5, s.5.

Time limit for registration and enforcement

Power to stay or limit enforcement

of registered

judgment

Effect of

registration

**6.** A Canadian judgment shall not be registered or enforced under this Act

(a) after the time for enforcement has expired in the province where the judgment was made; or

(b) later than ten years after the day on which the judgment became enforceable in the province where it was made. 1994, c.5, s.6.

**7.** (1) The Supreme Court may make an order staying or limiting the enforcement of a registered Canadian judgment, subject to any terms and for any period the court considers appropriate in the circumstances, if

(a) such an order could be made in respect of a judgment of the Supreme Court under any enactment of Prince Edward Island relating to creditors' remedies and the enforcement of judgments;

(b) the judgment debtor has brought, or intends to bring, in the province where the judgment was made, a proceeding to set aside, vary or obtain other relief in respect of the judgment;

(c) an order staying or limiting enforcement is in effect in the province where the judgment was made; or

(d) the judgment is contrary to public policy in Prince Edward Island.

(2) The Supreme Court shall not make an order staying or limiting the enforcement of a registered Canadian judgment on the grounds that

(a) the judge, court or tribunal that made the judgment lacked jurisdiction under principles of private international law, or the domestic law of the province where the judgment was made, over the subject matter of the proceeding that led to the judgment or over the judgment debtor.

(b) the Supreme Court would have come to a different decision on a finding of fact or law or on an exercise of discretion from the decision of the judge, court or tribunal that made the judgment; or

Excluded grounds

for challenge

(c) a defect existed in the process or proceeding leading to the judgment. 1994, c.5, s.7.

8 (1) Interest is payable on a registered Canadian judgment as if it were Interest on a judgment of the Supreme Court.

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(2) For the purpose of calculating interest payable under subsection Interest prior to registration (1), the amount owing on the registered Canadian judgment is the total of (a) the amount owing on that judgment on the date it is registered

under this Act; and (b) interest that has accrued to that date under the laws applicable to the calculation of interest on that judgment in the province where it was made. 1994, c.5, s.8.

9. A judgment creditor is entitled to recover, as if payable under the Recovery of registered Canadian judgment, all costs, charges and disbursements

registration costs

(a) reasonably incurred in the registration of a Canadian judgment under this Act: and (b) taxed, assessed or allowed by the prothonotary of the Supreme

Court. 1994, c.5, s.9.

10. Neither registering a Canadian judgment nor taking other Judgment creditor's proceedings under this Act affects a judgment creditor's right

other rights not affected by

(a) to bring an action on the Canadian judgment or on the original registration cause of action; or

(b) to register and enforce the Canadian judgment under the Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. R-6. 1994, c.5, s.10.

11. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations. 1994, Regulations c.5, s.11.

12. Pursuant to section 25 of the Supreme Court Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Rules of court Cap. S-10 rules of court may be made respecting all matters arising under this Act including cancellation of the registration of a judgment. 1994, c.5, s.12.

**13.** Consequential Amendments. 1994, c.5, s.13.

Consequential amendments