

R. v. **Steele**

Her Majesty the Queen against Richard **Steele**

Ontario Superior Court of Justice

Grossi J.

Heard: December 7, 2006
Judgment: December 7, 2006
Docket: None given.

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Subject: Criminal

Criminal law --- Pre-trial procedure -- Public or publication ban order -- General.

Grossi J.:

1 This is an application by the Crown for a ban on publication of the proceedings or this bail review. The Crown indicates, number one, that it slipped yesterday, she would have made that application, and she is concerned that the evidence that comes out on the bail application may taint, number one, this accused having a fair trial, and, number 2, the people who are involved and charged in the Jane Creba murder having a fair trial. As I said, what occurred yesterday has already been covered as shown by Exhibit 3, and defence counsel submits that the public should know what is going on with respect to this bail review.

2 I am of the view that what is happening here, if it is publicized, would not affect the fairness of the trial of this accused nor the fairness of the trial of those charged in the Jane Creba murder. In the end I do not accede to the Crown's request. Therefore there will be no publication ban.

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