

Fanuary 30, 2023

RHTLF, Ontario, and Canada requested an adjournment of the Stage Three trial. Canada, Ontario and the 21 Robinson Huron Treaty First Nations are working together at the negotiation table to renew the Treaty relationship and reach a settlement of the annuities case outside of the courts.

Fanuary 4, 2022

Ontario brings an Application for Leave to Appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada. The Supreme Court has not yet decided if it will hear Ontario's Appeal.

June 1-3, 2021

The Ontario Court of Appeal heard Ontario's appeal of the Stage Two decision. Canada has not appealed.

Fune 26, 2020

Stage Two Trial Decision: Justice Hennessy, again, ruled in favour of the RHT and RST First Nations, finding the plaintiffs' claims are not barred by Ontario's limitations legislation and that Ontario does not benefit from the doctrine of Crown immunity.

September 25, 2017

Stage 1 begins with opening statement of RHT plaintiffs.

2010

Formation of the RHT Litigation Fund.

Fuly 1764

Council of Niagara, 1700 Indigenous inhabitants gathered, a diplomatic exercise where the British sought to renew and strengthen the Covenant Chain.

February 10, 1763

Signing of Treaty of Paris.

Litigation Timeline

Decisions

Key Dates

Fall 2023

Stage One and Two Appeal to be heard at the Supreme Court of Canada

Fune 23, 2022

The Supreme Court of Canada releases its decision to proceed with hearing Ontario's appeal of the Robinson Treaties annuity case.

November 5, 2021

Ontario Court of Appeal releases its decision on the Stage One and Two appeals. The Ontario Court of Appeal upheld Justice Hennessy's interpretation of the augmentation clause and rejected Ontario's technical defences.

April 13-28, 2021

The Ontario Court of Appeal heard Ontario's appeal of the Stage One decision. Canada did not appeal.

December 21, 2018

Stage One Trial Decision: The Court rules that the Crown has a mandatory and reviewable constitutional obligation to increase the annuity to reflect the economic value the Crown receives from the Treaty Territory.

2012

Notice of claim filed.

September 9, 1850

Signing of the Robinson Huron Treaty.

October 7, 1763

Royal Proclamation set out the principles for Treaty making, Declaration of the Crown, affirmed Aboriginal title and ownership of lands.



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