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[1] The Tax Court of Canada judge dismissed the appeals of Gilles and François Bélanger on the ground that neither of them was credible. Counsel for the appellants raised no arguments challenging the judge's finding on this point.

[2] As for the penalty, the Court has considered whether the appellant Gilles Bélanger could

have been justified in believing that the Minister of Revenue had recognized Lac Genest as being

his residence for the taxation year preceding the years at issue.

[3] However, as the documentary evidence filed by Gilles Bélanger for that year does not

disclose the Minister's position on this point, and, given the Tax Court of Canada judge's finding

regarding his credibility, this Court's intervention would be unwarranted.

[4] The appeal will be dismissed with costs.

"Marc Noël"
J.A.

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