



## **Crookes v Newton - Liability for Hyperlinks?**

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The Supreme Court of Canada is this morning hearing oral arguments in the case of Crookes v Newton, which will (hopefully) definitively determine the extent to which the act of hyperlinking to defamatory comments can itself constitute defamation. The facta of the appellants and respondents are available at the SCC website. Also worth reading are the decision of the British Columbia Court of Appeal (2009 BCCA 392) and the trial decision (2008 BCSC 1424). Earlier this year, Sona Dhawan at The Court provided a nice summary of the case and its implications and David Crerar and Michael Skene offered some concise thoughts on the case over at AdIDEM.

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