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A.G. -v- JOHN ALEXANDER CRAWFORD

BAILIFF: "We cannot speculate on the reason for this man's co-accused's sentence being different but on the face of it it seems an excessively lenient sentence, but whatever the reasons were, by imposing a sentence of six months on this man, this could lead to too great a disparity and leave him with a sense of grievance. On the other hand we think that a set prison sentence is not wrong in principle. We are going to substitute a sentence of three months for the six months imposed and do so, which means he will be released immediately I think. Is that right? And you have your legal aid costs.