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ROYAL COURT

Police Court Appeal

18th September, 1989

Before: Commissioner P.R. Le Cras and Jurats Le Boutillier and Le Ruez

Her Majesty's Attorney General
- v Maureen Ginette Quick

Appeal against sentence of two months' imprisonment imposed on a charge of receiving stolen goods.

Advocate A.J. Olsen for the Crown Advocate P.C. Sinel for the appellant.

JUDG MENT

COMMISSIONER LE CRAS: We accept Advocate Olsen's submission that this was a serious offence.

The appeal here however concerns Miss Quick's part in this disgraceful episode.

We accept that this was an offence committed on the spur of the moment and that Quick was led into it by what seems clearly to have been an unsuitable friendship. It is our view that she was on the periphery of this crime. We further take into account her previous good character, her employment, her meeting her bail requirements and what is clearly a very supportive family.

We do not therefore propose to send Quick to prison for this offence and will substitute for the decision of the Magistrate a fine of £200 or 21 days' imprisonment.

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