

# **Roger Watson (Appellant) v The King (Respondent) (Bahamas)**

**Case ID: JCPC 2020/0090**

**Jurisdiction: Court of Appeal of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas**

## **Case summary**

### **Issue**

Should the Appellant's sentence of 50 years imprisonment for an offence of manslaughter be quashed?

### **Facts**

On 26 September 2006, the Appellant was convicted of murder after a trial before a judge and jury in the Supreme Court of the Bahamas. On 20 September 2007, he was sentenced to death. On 25 June 2009, the Court of Appeal quashed the Appellant's conviction for murder and substituted a conviction for manslaughter, imposing a sentence of 50 years' imprisonment. The Appellant now appeals to the Board against that sentence.

## **Parties**

### **Appellant**

Roger Watson

### **Respondent**

The King

## **Appeal**

### **Justices**

Lord Lloyd-Jones, Lord Briggs, Lord Stephens

### **Hearing start date**

27 April 2023

### **Hearing finish date**

27 April 2023

### **Watch hearing**

27 April 2023 [Morning session](#)