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IN THE COURT OF APPEAL CRIMINAL DIVISION

<u>Case No: 2021/01630/B2</u> [2022] EWCA Crim 1344



Royal Courts of Justice
The Strand
London
WC2A 2LL

Wednesday 5th October 2022

Before:

THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION (Lord Justice Holroyde)

MR JUSTICE DOVE

MR JUSTICE KERR

REX

- v -

HARLEY THOMAS JONES

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Mr S Alfred appeared on behalf of the Applicant

Miss B Rogers appeared on behalf of the Crown

PROCEEDINGS (Approved)

Wednesday 5th October 2022

LORD JUSTICE HOLROYDE:

- 1. Mr Alfred, it is a matter for the applicant whether he wishes to abandon, and his reasons are doing so are really, again, a matter for him. But thank you very much for explaining them.
- 2. We have, as I have said, had an opportunity to have a little bit of advanced notice, so we have considered the position. Because the abandonment is coming at this late stage, you need the leave of the court, but we grant that leave. I am sure that Mr Jones understands that that means that that is the end of all the appeal proceedings. They cannot be resurrected hereafter.
- 3. **MR ALFRED:** He does understand. I should have started by apologising for the lateness of the application.
- 4. LORD JUSTICE HOLROYDE: Do not worry. We understand. All right. We grant

leave to abandon and the appeal will be abandoned accordingly
5. MR ALFRED: Thank you.
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