5th February, 1987.

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Her Majesty's Attorney General - v -Peter Gerald Marriott

DEPUTY BAILIFF: The Court is convinced that you, Marriott, plundered your mother's assets with the intent that you would benefit. You may well be her sole heir but you had no right to anticipate your inheritance. The Court does not depart, in any way, from the principle that a gross breach of trust of this kind richly deserves a custodial sentence. Nevertheless, only as an act of mercy, having regard to all the rather unusual and special circumstances that we have heard this afternoon, we are prepared to grant the Solicitor General's conclusions and, therefore, you are sentenced to two years' probation on condition that you will perform one hundred and eighty hours of community service.

COURT RISES