(no authorities noted)
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ROYAL COURT

10th April, 1987.

Before:

The Deputy Bailiff,

Jurat Perrée,

Jurat Orchard

Attorney General

-v-

Brendan Hugh Carré

H.M.'s Attorney General.

Advocate C.J. Dorey for the accused.

DEPUTY BAILIFF: The Housing (Jersey) Law, 1949, is an important law and this Court will do all that it can to uphold it. As the Attorney General rightly said there is a heaven responsibility of those who control property to ensure that the requirements of the Law are complied with; nevertheless there are exceptional circumstances in this case and we accept that the defendant is a person of good character; we accept, in Advocate Dorey's words that this was a sin of omission rather the commission, as indeed the Attorney General fully recognized. The Court feels able to add a little more recognition of the defendant's character and of other mitigation, and reduce the fine a little.

We therefore impose a fine of £600 or in default three months' imprisonment and we order the defendant to pay £150 costs with three weeks to pay.