ROYAL COURT

6th January, 1989

Before: The Deputy Bailiff and Jurats Baker and Orchard

Her Majesty's Attorney General
- v Nicola Victoria Letchford

Breach of Probation. Offences constituting breach dealt with by the Police Court and accused now presented before the Royal Court for sentence on offences in respect of which she was placed on probation (one count of assault on a police officer and one count of being drunk and disorderly).

H.M.'s Solicitor General for the Crown Advocate M. St. J. O'Connell for Letchford.

JUDG MENT

DEPUTY BAILIFF: The Court has given anxious consideration to all that has been said, but so far as this Court is concerned, breaches of probation are not going to go unpunished. People on probation must know that if they do not comply with the terms of their Probation Order they will come back and they will be sentenced for the original offences. Letchford offended again

within days of the Probation Order's being made which means that she totally ignored what was said. Moreover, there were assaults on the police included in the offences, which the Court of Appeal has said should attract consecutive sentences so that society may know that the Courts will give every protection to the police. Therefore the Court is going to grant the conclusions in the sense of imposing eight weeks' imprisonment on each of the four counts, concurrent to each other, however, the sentence will be consecutive to the sentence now being served.

n.b. no authorities.