ROYAL COURT

16th August, 1991 14.

Before: The Bailiff, and Jurats Blampied and Le Ruez

Attorney General

Jacqueline Anne Todd, née Dibbens

Accused sentenced in respect of 8 Counts of obtaining goods by false pretences and 12 Counts of obtaining services by false pretences.

PLEA:

Guilty.

DETAILS OF OFFENCE:

Twenty cheque frauds, to a total value of £500, committed during a two month period. She knew her bank account had been closed and contained nothing, but continued to issue cheques, disguising her signature so that she could claim, on detection, that the cheque book had been stolen and her signature forged.

DETAILS OF MITIGATION:

Good character. Had given birth to a downs syndrome child immediately before these offences. She and her husband had lived in their car with the child as they had lost their accommodation. Cheques issued only for food and petrol.

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PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS:

Nil.

CONCLUSIONS:

Two years' probation.

SENTENCE AND OBSERVATIONS OF THE COURT:

Conclusions granted.

C.E. Whelan, Esq., Crown Advocate, Advocate A.D. Hoy for the accused.

JUDGMENT

BAILIFF: I am sure you realise that what you did was very foolish and I am sure that you will not offend again. We take into account the particular circumstances under which you issued these cheques and your own personal circumstances and therefore we are going to grant the conclusions of the Crown Advocate.

You will be placed on probation for two years, but there are conditions attached to probation and I am sure that Miss Ahier will explain them to you, but I will just tell you what they are.

They are that you will be of good behaviour during that time and not offend again, but if you do you might have to come back here and be sentenced somewhat differently from the present sentence. Also that you will have to live and work as directed



by your Probation Officer who will keep an eye on you and to whom you can turn for help from time to time.

You must be conscientious in attending at the Probation Offices or wherever he or she wants to see you, because without that, that would be a breach of probation.

No authorities.