

ROYAL COURT

21st August, 1992

153.

Before: The Bailiff, and
Jurats Blampied and Le Ruez

The Attorney General

- v -

Joseph Gaughan

1 count of possession of a controlled drug, contrary to Article 6(1) of the Misuse of Drugs (Jersey) Law, 1978.

AGE: 21.

PLEA: Guilty.

DETAILS OF OFFENCE:

Observed by police at the Inn on the Park apparently dealing in drugs. When approached attempted to escape. 55 Ecstasy tablets found in pocket. Claimed they were for personal use: "I'm an addict". Had £214 on him, which he claimed to have won on the horses.

DETAILS OF MITIGATION:

Serious drug problem. Was a registered heroin addict in Glasgow. "An extravagant polydrug user ... with a kaleidoscope of personal psychological problems".

PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS:

Several, including one for drugs.

CONCLUSIONS:

12 months' imprisonment.

SENTENCING AND OBSERVATIONS OF THE COURT:

Conclusions granted.

Miss S.C. Nicolle, Crown Advocate.
Advocate P.M. Livingstone for the accused.

JUDGMENT

THE BAILIFF: The conclusions are granted; you are sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment. The Court orders the forfeiture and destruction of the drugs.

No authorities.