Royal Court

5th June, 1987

Before the Deputy Bailiff,
Jurat Blampied,
Jurat Hamon.

Attorney General -v- AC

The Attorney General.

Advocate P.R. Cushen for the accused.

Judgment

The Deputy Bailiff: We do not need to retire in this case because the Court really has no alternative course available to it. We accept everything that both the Attorney General and Mr. Cushen have said about the restrictions imposed upon us by the Children (Jersey) Law, 1969, and the fact that you, have been in custody for six and a half months.

Therefore, we grant the conclusions. On count 1, you will be placed on probation for a period of 12 months, subject to the usual conditions that you will live and work as directed by your probation officer, and subject to the further condition that you will carry out 200 hours of community service. On counts 2 to 12 inclusive, we impose the same sentence: so in fact on counts 1 to 12 inclusive, you will be on probation for 12 months, and you will carry out 200 hours of community service. Then, in order that there may be a longer term of supervision, on counts 13 to 32 inclusive, you will be placed, concurrently, on probation for 3 years, subject to the usual conditions that you will both live and work where directed by the probation officer. During the first 12 months, you will carry out 200 hours of community service, and thereafter you will remain on probation for a further 2 years. You understand that.

We know how much property has been involved, and how much inconvenience and distress has been caused to various people: if you were older, you can be certain that you would have gone to prison probably for a couple of years. Let that be a warning to you, because if you come back here in breach of your probation order for any of these offences, you are likely to be dealt with very severely indeed.