

JERSEY / JUDGMENT

AG v Hatte [2004] JRC 176 (01 October 2004)

[2004] JRC 176

Source: bailii.org · Research copy typeset by Esheria. Not court-issued or certified.

JUDGMENT

THE COMMISSIONER: 1. For a 61 year old man to have sexual intercourse with a vulnerable 14 year old is an indictment in itself. 2. You have pleaded guilty to what is an appalling offence, but by so doing you have saved this young girl the further distress of a trial. 3. We have to say that you were in a position of trust as regards this young girl, not in the sense of a teacher or a near relative but because she treated you as a friend and a confidant over a period of several years. You gave her presents and clearly built up a relationship with her. You knew of her troubled background. You were warned by the police to keep away from the child, but continued to see her. 4. We have to say that the Probation and Psychological Reports make for some disturbing reading, and your personal life is full of tragedy. 5. The details of this offence have been fully described to us by Crown Advocate Sharpe and we need to consider what has been so ably said by Advocate Fogarty in mitigation. She has, of course, repeated the details of your family life and has said that this isolated and lonely existence that you led has branded you and she draws a distinction between your case and those others cited to us. We agree with that. 6. We are certain that you need bereavement and other counselling whilst in prison but on reflection we can find no fault with the conclusions of the Crown. Against your personal situation we have to put the feelings of the general public. Despite your excellent work record, and it is an excellent work record, and the problems you will face on leaving prison we have to follow the conclusions of the Crown and you are sentenced to 2 years' imprisonment. Authorities A. G. -v- Hamon

[2003] JRC149. A. G. -v- Rosser (22 nd March, 2002) Jersey Unreported; [2002/67]. A. G. -v- Perkins (9 th January, 1998) Jersey Unreported; [1998/2]. A. G. -v- Hatte

[2004] JRC143. Page Last Updated: 24 Mar 2017 BAILII: Copyright Policy | Disclaimers | Privacy Policy | Feedback | Donate to BAILII

Source & reproduction note

Judgment wording, source notices and original paragraph numbers are retained. Esheria supplies the layout and this PDF's page numbers; these are not the source pagination. This is a research copy, not an official or certified court document. Check quotations, citations and publication restrictions against the original source before relying on it.

ORIGINAL SOURCE <https://www.bailii.org/je/cases/UR/2004/>

CASE PAGE <https://chat.esheria.ai/case-law/jersey/ag-v-hatte-2004-jrc-176-01-october-2004>

Prepared on 24 October 2026 · Esheria