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AG -v- Matson [2015] JRC 143 (30 June 2015)

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THE BAILIFF: 1. The Court is going to grant the conclusions which have been moved for by the Crown Advocate on behalf of the Attorney General. 2. Accordingly you are sentenced to 1 week's imprisonment on Count 1, being the charge of drunk and disorderly, 2 weeks' imprisonment, concurrent on Count 2, being the charge of obstruction, and 8 months' imprisonment, consecutive on Count 3, which makes a total of 8 months' and 2 weeks' imprisonment. That you have already served, in the sense that you will get remission of one third against that sentence. Accordingly, you are released immediately from custody as far as this Court is concerned. 3. I just wish to say something further for the sake of the record which I ought to say and that is this. You have committed an assault on a prison officer in Jersey and you have already expressed some remorse for that assault because, as you said straight away, you cannot believe that you did that because you liked him. It is absolutely clear that part of the motivation for that assault must have arisen from the medical difficulties from which you suffer. But it is important to recognise, for the record, that prison officers are entitled to the Court's protection. They have a difficult job to do and prisoners, all prisoners, must appreciate that if they assault a prison officer there will be severe punishment. The fact that the victim of an assault is a prison officer makes the assault itself more serious and on this occasion you delivered kicks and attempted to deliver punches to him. That does not affect the sentence we have just imposed, it is as I have indicated but it is important for the purposes of the publicity which is given in Jersey to the sentence imposed that those who read the sentencing remarks realise that prison officers will get protection from this Court. You are sentenced accordingly. Authorities Harrison-v-AG

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