

JERSEY / JUDGMENT

AG -v- O'Brien [2015] JRC 098 (11 May 2015)

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THE DEPUTY BAILIFF: 1. You are here to be sentenced for three counts of larceny and two counts of receiving stolen property. The Court accepts that the larceny was opportunistic and, to a significant extent, fuelled by alcohol but alcohol is an aggravating factor rather than a mitigating factor. The larcenies from the private vehicles caused significant inconvenience to the owners and significant loss to one of them. You smashed windows in order to gain access to those vehicles. You have consistently demonstrated a casual disregard for the property of other people and you have shown no real remorse for the effect on your victims until the Court has received a letter through your counsel this morning. It is clear that for you alcohol and other drugs are significant factors in your offending. You have a very substantial record with 77 previous convictions including 23 for theft and similar offences, including those from unattended vehicles. 2. We have considered very carefully indeed all that your counsel has said on your behalf and we have read, with care, the letter that you have handed up to the Court. The Court notes in particular the last section of your letter and expresses, very strongly, the hope that you will comply with the aims that you set out there and that you will use the period in prison to readjust your life and come out and take your place as a useful and decent member of society. 3. But in the light of the social enquiry report, and of the fact that all of the other options open to the Court have been tried without success, we think that a sentence of imprisonment is both correct and inevitable and we see no reason to depart from the conclusions of the Crown on this occasion. 4. Accordingly, you are sentenced to imprisonment on Counts 1 and 2 of 15 months' on each of those to run concurrent and on Counts 3, 4 and 5 for 12 months' on each of those to run concurrently to each other but consecutively to Counts 1 and 2, making a total period of 27 months' imprisonment. Authorities Whelan on Aspects of Sentencing in the Superior Courts of Jersey. Wylie-v-AG

[2002] JLR N6. Wylie-v-AG 2002/13. R-v-Webbe and Others

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