COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL

SCCrApp & CAIS No. 162 of 2025

O'Brien Reckley

Intended Appellant

v

The Director of Public Prosecutions

Intended Respondent

(Extension of Time; Substantive Appeal)
(Decision; Reasons Reserved)

Before: The Hon Mr Justice Evans, President
The Hon Sir Ian Winder, Chief Justice
The Hon Mr Justice Smith, JA

Mr Stanley Rolle, with Mr K Brian Hanna, and Dr Glendon Rolle, Counsel for Intended Appellant
Ms Cordell Frazier, DPP, with Ms Eurika Coccia, Ms Darnell Dorsette, and Ms Janessa Murray, Counsel for Intended Respondent

9 September 2026

The oral judgment of the court was delivered by

Evans, P:

We appreciate the fact that we received full submissions from all parties in advance which gave us an opportunity to delve into and understand exactly what was being put forward, so do not take the fact that we are giving our decision immediately as meaning that we were taking it lightly. We have read, we have understood, and we have been able to clarify the issues that counsel have raised with us today.

Having heard from counsel in this matter, we are satisfied that the grounds of appeal, save for the one relative to sentence, have no merit and those are dismissed for reasons to be delivered.

With regard to sentence, we vary the sentence only to the extent that the remand time that is due to the appellant ought to be deducted from the sentence which was imposed by the trial judge, which was 17 months and 16 days.

That is the order of the court, and we will give our reasons as soon as we are able to do so.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2026

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EVANS, P

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