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COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS
IN THE COURT OF APPEAL
SCCrApp & CAIS No. 171 of 2023

Sharon Sturup

Applicant

v

The Director of Public Prosecutions

Respondent

(Extension of Time)

Before: The Hon Mr Justice Isaacs, JA
The Hon Madam Justice Charles, JA
The Hon Mr Justice Smith, JA

Applicant appeared Pro Se
Ms Eurika Coccia, Counsel for Respondent

29 February 2024

1 The oral judgment of the court was delivered by
2 Isaacs, JA:

3 We have heard the Applicant's submissions in respect
4 of the application for an extension of time within which to
5 appeal. The Applicant must appreciate that this court is only
6 able to interfere with a sentence imposed by a judge if some
7 error of principle is disclosed in the remarks or the sentence
8 of the judge. We can see no error of principle in the
9 sentence imposed upon the Applicant by the judge following
10 upon a plea agreement to which she voluntarily and consciously
11 acceded.

12 In the circumstances, the sentence of 15 years
13 imposed by the judge will remain in place. We will not
14 interfere with the sentence imposed because the Applicant came
15 here not on an error of principle, but on a basis of faith.
16 While that is a laudable motive, it is not one that is
17 sustainable in a court of law.

18 In the circumstances, the application for an
19 extension of time within which to appeal is denied. The
20 sentence of the judge remains in place.

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22 Dated this 29th day of February, 2024

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ISAACS, JA

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