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COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS
IN THE COURT OF APPEAL
SCCrApp & CAIS No. 14 of 2020

Charlton Pierre

Intended Appellant

v

The Attorney-General

Intended Respondent

(Extension of Time)

Before: The Hon Sir Michael Barnett, President, Kt
The Hon Mr Justice Isaacs, JA
The Hon Mr Justice Evans, JA

Intended Appellant appeared Pro se
Ms Cordell Frazier, Counsel for Intended Respondent

8 September 2020

1 The oral judgment of the court was delivered by

2 The Hon Sir Michael Barnett, P, Kt:

3 This is an application for an extension of time
4 within which to appeal. In order for us to grant the
5 extension of time, we have to be shown on the evidence that
6 there is some real prospect of success.

7 The appeal in this matter is an appeal against a
8 sentence for manslaughter, a sentence that was arrived at
9 pursuant to a plea agreement between the Intended Appellant
10 and the Crown. The Intended Appellant was originally charged
11 with murder and entered into a plea agreement at which he was
12 represented by counsel whereby he pleaded not guilty to murder
13 but pled guilty to manslaughter and agreed to a sentence of
14 20 years taking into consideration the time spent on remand.

15 The matter was heard before the judge. The judge
16 inquired of the Intended Appellant whether or not he was
17 coerced into this agreement and the appellant said that he was
18 not.

19 The only basis upon which this court can interfere
20 with the sentence is if we can be shown that the sentence is
21 unduly harsh. There is no basis for us believing that this
22 sentence is unduly harsh. It was entered into pursuant to a
23 plea agreement and, therefore, there is no merit whatsoever in
24 this appeal. In the premises, the application for an
25 extension of time is dismissed and the conviction and sentence

1 are affirmed.

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3 Dated this 8th day of September, 2020

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SIR MICHAEL BARNETT, P, Kt

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