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COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS
IN THE COURT OF APPEAL
MCCrApp & CAIS No. 54 of 2012

Camille Etienne

Appellant

vs

The Commissioner of Police

Respondent

(Substantive Appeal)

Before: The Hon Mrs Justice Allen, President
The Hon Mr Justice Blackman, JA
The Hon Mr Justice Conteh, JA

Mr Thomas Evans, QC, with Ms Kimberley Evans,
Counsel for Appellant
Mr Terry Archer, with Ms Abigail Farrington, Counsel
for Respondent

30 October 2012

1 The oral judgment of the court was delivered by

2 Allen, P:

3 On the concession of the respondent in this appeal,
4 we are satisfied that the appellant did not have a fair trial
5 inasmuch as he ought to have had an interpreter to assist him
6 during the trial.

7 We have looked at the grounds of appeal and we see
8 that he would have had a good defence. We accede to the
9 grounds of appeal. We therefore allow the appeal and we set
10 aside the conviction and sentence.

11 We are not remitting the matter for retrial. He has
12 served three months. The appellant is free to go.

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Dated this 30th day of October, 2012

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