

9th August, 1985.

Application for bail, pending appeal to Court of Appeal
by John Patrick McLaughlin.

BAILIFF: "The application for bail is refused. It has always been the practice of the Royal Court in view of the present(indistinct)..... it is the correct view to take that after conviction, whatever may be the position before trial, but after conviction, bail is granted only in exceptional circumstances and we see no exceptional circumstances in this case. The sentence imposed was a lengthy sentence - the offence for which it was imposed was a serious one and the transcripts are ready and the appeal will be heard in the week beginning September 23rd which is some six to seven weeks from now, which is not a lengthy delay and all the other circumstances in relation to the appellant do not amount to exceptional circumstances, therefore the appeal is dismissed - the application is dismissed.