

Minute of Order

9/86

Vernon Leonardo PARS V R

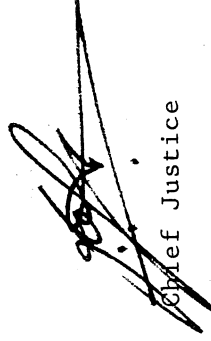
4/6/86 Appeal

Order: This is a case where, in my view, concurrent sentences should have been imposed. This is particularly so as there was no enquiry or evidence of means to pay the fine.

The sentence for consuming ganja is set aside and a sentence of 6 months imprisonment is substituted therefor. That sentence will run concurrently with the sentence of 12 months for consumption of cocaine.

In view of the previous convictions for drug related offences I cannot say that the sentence imposed for consumption of cocaine is manifestly excessive. I cannot make allowance for the condition of the wife, however sad.

The appeal succeeds to the extent indicated but is otherwise dismissed.


Chief Justice