



MALTA

**COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA)
AS A COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE**

**MAGISTRATE DR.
NATASHA GALEA SCIBERRAS**

Sitting of the 9 th March, 2015

Number 260/2015

The Police

(Inspector Carlos Cordina

Inspector Trevor Micallef)

vs

Jo-Anne Camilleri

The Court,

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Having seen the charges brought against Jo-Anne Camilleri, daughter of Joseph and Mary Rose nee` Ghirxi, born in the UK on 31st July, 1974, residing at 61, Jorene, Triq Santa Margerita, San Gwann, holder of identity card number17123(A).

Charged with having on these Islands:

1. During the months of January, February and March 2015 committed theft of several objects by the offender, even if at different times, constitute violations of the same provision of the law, and are committed in pursuance of the same design, such acts shall be deemed to be a single offence, called a continuous offence;
2. Charged also with having during the months of January, February and March 2015, in Paceville Malta, from e-Jewels outlet stole several jewellery and other items, of the amount exceeding two thousand three hundred and twenty nine euro and thirty nine Euro and thirty seven cents (€2,329.37) to the detriment of company Sterling Holdings and/or other persons;
3. Charged also for having during the months of January, February and March 2015 in Paceville Malta, received and/or purchased any property which has been stolen, misapplied or obtained by means of an offence, whether committed in Malta or abroad, or shall knowingly take part, in any manner whatsoever, in the sale or disposal of the same.

Having seen all the acts of the case;

Having heard the accused plead guilty to the first and second charges brought against her at an early stage of the proceedings, which guilty plea was confirmed by the same accused even after the Court, in terms of Section 453 (1) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, warned her of the legal consequences of

such plea and allowed her sufficient time to reconsider her reply and to change it;

Having heard the prosecuting officer declare that the third charge is alternative to the second charge;

Having heard the party's submissions on the punishment to be inflicted.

Considered that:

In view of the guilty plea filed by the accused in respect of the first and second charges, the Court cannot but find her guilty of these charges.

For the purpose of the punishment to be inflicted, the Court took into account the early guilty plea filed by the accused, her clean criminal record, that the accused has cooperated with the police during its investigations and that the res furtiva has been returned.

Conclusion:

For these reasons, the Court, after having seen Articles 18, 261(c), 267, 279(b) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, finds the accused guilty of the first and second charges brought against her and condemns her to imprisonment for a term of two (2) years, which by application of Article 28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, is being suspended for a period of four (4) years from today.

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In view of the declaration of the Prosecuting Officer that the third charge is alternative to the second, the Court is not taking any further notice of this charge.

The Court explained in clear and simple language the meaning of this judgement to the accused should she commit any other offence, punishable by imprisonment within the operative period of the suspended sentence.

The Court orders that a copy of this judgment together with the acts of these proceedings be transmitted to the Attorney General in terms of law.

< Final Judgement >

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