

JAMAICA

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL

SUPREME COURT CRIMINAL APPEAL NO: 92/87

BEFORE: The Hon. Mr. Justice Carey, J.A.
The Hon. Mr. Justice Campbell, J.A.
The Hon. Mr. Justice Wright, J.A.

R. v. JEREMIAH GRANT

No appearance for Applicant

Miss V. Grant for Crown

6th June, 1988

CAREY, J.A.

This applicant, on 4th of June, 1987 was convicted on a charge of Possession of Cocaine and sentenced to 7 years imprisonment at hard labour. He now applies for leave to appeal against his conviction and sentence.

We have read the papers in this matter, having been invited to do so by the applicant who had been refused leave by the single judge.

The short facts are, that on the 26th of May, 1986 this accused was searched; he is a habitue of the Negril area, and in his wallet were found two envelopes which contained cocaine. When he was charged he said he was not selling them. His defence was rather curious. He stated he was searched and this cocaine was found, presumably, in the wallet but he did not know how it got there. The facts were far too simple and uncomplicated to provoke any problems.

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The learned trial judge gave a proper direction to the jury on possession which was the only issue, and we see no reason to interfere with the finding of the jury which was adverse to the applicant.

The application for leave to appeal is refused and the Court directs sentence to commence from the date of conviction.