SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

Citation: R. v. Thompson, 2010 NSSC 106

Date: 2010318

Docket: CR. No. 316826

Registry: Halifax

Between:

Her Majesty the Queen

-and-

Chaze Lamar Thompson

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Judge: The Honourable Justice Robert W. Wright

Heard: March 18, 2010 in Halifax, Nova Scotia

Oral

Decision: March 18, 2010

Written

Decision: March 22, 2010

Subject: Sentencing for the offence of robbery and related offences - joint recommendation on sentencing.

Summary: The offender entered a plea of guilty to the offences of robbery, wearing a face mask with intent to commit an indictable offence, and breach of a recognizance. An Agreed Statement of Facts was provided whereby the offender admitted being involved in an armed robbery of a convenience store.

Counsel presented a joint recommendation that the offender be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of 4 years (less credit for time served on remand on a 2 for 1 basis), together with corollary orders authorizing the taking of a DNA sample and imposing a lifetime weapons prohibition ban.

Issue: Whether joint recommendation should be accepted as a fit and proper sentence?

Result: The joint recommendation fell within the acceptable range of sentencing outcomes for the crime of robbery outlined by the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal in **R. v. Bratzer** (2002) 198 N.S.R. (2d) 303 and was therefore accepted by the court resulting in a further term or imprisonment of 32 months from the sentencing date onward.

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