





1 THE COURT: As I said earlier, I convicted you, I  
2 found you guilty on Counts 1 and 3 of the Indictment.

3 On Count 1, which is the charge of keeping a  
4 common gaming house, I think that a fine as suggested  
5 by the Crown is the sentence that would normally be  
6 imposed in a case of this nature. Although I take into  
7 consideration the fact that there has been a lot of  
8 publicity about the case and that no doubt will serve  
9 to publicize the fact that running a poker club like  
10 this is in fact an illegal activity, I do not think  
11 that it is an appropriate case for a discharge.  
12 However, on the basis of the evidence that I heard I do  
13 not think that a fine at the high end of the scale is  
14 appropriate. Accordingly, on Count 1, I impose a fine  
15 of \$1,500. The default will be calculated under the  
16 statute.

17 The items that were seized that relate to the  
18 playing of poker - the cards, the chips and the cash  
19 found on the poker table - will be forfeited.

20 With respect to Count 3, carrying a concealed  
21 weapon, it is not clear on the evidence and it is not  
22 necessary for purposes of a conviction exactly why  
23 Mr. Lee was carrying the weapon, but there is certainly  
24 something sinister about carrying a weapon like that in  
25 a fanny pack at a poker club. This is a case where the  
26 sentence has to be a deterrent not only to Mr. Lee, who  
27 knew very well the terms of his permit for that weapon,

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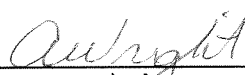
but also to other people. In all the circumstances,  
the sentence on Count 3 will be one month in jail.

The weapon and ammunition in question will be  
forfeited.

Mr. Lee will be prohibited from possessing any  
firearms or ammunition or explosive substances for a  
period of two years. He will have 90 days to surrender  
any such items to the RCMP. The prohibition order will  
commence now and it will expire two years from the date  
of his release from imprisonment or completion of term  
of imprisonment on this particular offence.

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Certified pursuant to Practice  
Direction #20 dated December 28,  
1987.

  
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Annette Wright  
Court Reporter