IN THE TERRITORIAL COURT OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

IN THE MATTER OF:

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

- and -

ALVIN MORRIS YALLEE

Transcript of the oral sentencing delivered by His
Honour Judge T.B. Davis, sitting at Fort Norman, in the
Northwest Territories, Thursday, November 15, A.D. 1984

<u>APPEARANCES</u>:

MR. N. SHARKEY

MR. J. VERTES

Counsel for the Crown

Counsel for the Defence

Mr. Alvin Morris Yallee has appeared before the THE COURT: Court and changed his pleas to pleas of guilty on two charges, 2 admitting that on the 6th day of October he interfered with the lawful enjoyment of a property at approximately one p.m on that date when he followed his wife into the residence of the local nurse without any permission to be present and while he was drinking. His wife had entered the residerce 7 for assistance from the nurse, as she was fearful at that 8 time of her husband who, when observed, had slurred speech and was in an impaired state. He was later arrested by the 10 Police and in entering the property under those circumstances 11 has violated Section 387(1) of the Criminal Code. 12 result of that violation of the Code he also violated 13 Section 666 of the Criminal Code, because he was on a probation 14 order requiring that he keep the peace and be of good 15 behaviour. 16 17

He appears before the Court with a number of criminal offences on his record arising from matters in 1984. He had received fines for an assault causing bodily harm in 1984; was placed on probation for two years on a break and enter charge and fined Five hundred dollars for possession of a weapon charge.

The accused is an intelligent and able and competent man of twenty-seven years of age. He seems to have allowed the consumption of alcohol to cause him to be involved with a number of offences, and he now is adding two criminal offences to his record today. Taking into

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account his circumstances, Crown counsel has reviewed the situation and suggested that even though he has failed to obey a probation order, and usually that would mean the Court would consider a jail term, both Crown and Defence counsel have suggested that a substantial fine, the total being substantial would be sufficient to show others and the accused that they must respect other people's property and must obey the probation orders that are in effect. this time I do want the accused to know that generally disobedience of probation orders are viewed by the Courts as offences that would require consideration for jail terms, because probation orders are often given to people with restrictions or with directions to do certain things so that they will not have to go to jail in the first instance. If they are not to be obeyed and a person comes before the Court on occasion for showing that they haven't been obeyed, then ordinarily it is necessary to penalize them since they were dealt with more leniently on the first charge. However, since the accused does appear before the Court in this instance with the recommendations being made, since he is going to get regular employment, I am prepared on this occasion to accept the recommendations so long as Mr. Yallee knows that it may be his last chance to be dealt with in Therefore, I hope that the imposition of a fine this way. will have sufficient deterrent effect on the accused and others so that the public are protected.

On the first charge, and that is the charge relating

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to the interference with and the use of the property on Information 1342, I am going to impose a fine in the amount of \$300.00, or in default thereof fifteen days in jail. On the second offence, and that is disobedience of the probation order by failing to abstain absolutely from the consumption of alcohol on Information 1344, even recognizing that that is a hard and difficult order to obey, I am going to impose a fine in the amount of \$300.00, or in default thereof fifteen days in jail, to run consecutively.

I am not placing the accused on probation at this time because he presently is on probation and is required to perform community service work and still abstain from the consumption of alcohol on those orders. That will be in effect until such time as it is amended by an appropriate Court.

Mr. Yallee, you have to realize you are still on the same terms of the probation as you had been here in the Court today. It doesn't change the probation orders that exist. Do you understand that?

MR. YALLEE: Yes.

THE COURT: How long to pay the fines?

MR. VERTES: Three months, Your Honour.

THE COURT: The accused will be allowed three months in which to pay the fines. Mr. Yallee, what I have suggested to most people when they have substantial fines of this nature is that we expect them to make partial payments as money becomes available throughout this three month period. So, \$200.00

a month would be easier than trying to produce \$600.00. The other Informations and the other charges, ther, 2 that were before the Court--3 Yes. There is no evidence, then, on the remaining MR. SHARKEY: 4 three. 5 Thank you. On that basis, then, the three other THE COURT: charges will be dismissed for lack of prosecution. One of 7 There has been no plea entered. them was withdrawn. 8 is on a charge relating to the 6th of October, Information 9 number 1343. 10 That is withdrawn, then, is it? MR. SHARKEY: 11 Yes, there had been no plea entered. In fact, 12 THE COURT: the other Information 1577 on which there are two charges 13 under Section 666, there is no plea entered. So, that would 14 be withdrawn, as well. 15 MR. SHARKEY: All right, then, we'll withdraw the remaining counts. 16 17 18 Certified a correct transcript, 19 20 21 22

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