

In the matter between:

Her Majesty the Queen

Complainant

and

E7-403 Teemotee

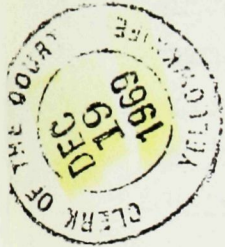
Defendant

Remarks on Sentence by the Honourable
Mr. Justice W.G. Morrow.

MORROW J

~~The Court:~~ The policy of this Court in sentencing is to
always ^{to} take into consideration ^{the} a person such as yourself, who
is an Eskimo, and should perhaps be given a little
different treatment in sentencing than other people. This
is based on the fact that it would appear that the
mortality rate is not as favorable for your race as for
what we call the white race.

When I give the sentence that I am going to give here it
will be approximately half of what I would have given
had you been a white person. That is because I am trying to
treat you equally.



In your case, this is a serious offence that you have been convicted of. The medical evidence indicates that you have no problem, and behave as a good citizen, except at certain periods of time, and that sometimes you perhaps become depressed, and maybe take up drinking. You have heard the evidence of the doctors, you have heard every one. So, I have to take all of that into consideration, and at the same time I have to take into consideration the responsibility of the Court to protect society. And there are other things a judge has to look at in sentencing. In your case, I am going to take another chance. I may be wrong. If I am wrong, I hope my error will not result in you getting into trouble again, and some other person being hurt.

I am going to sentence you as follows: Two years less one day in the Correctional Institute at Yellowknife, with a provision that, in addition, you shall be under a probation period of two years as ^{provided} ~~laid down~~ in Section 638(1) ^{(b) of the Criminal Code}, and that the conditions of that probation shall be that you will continue all and any medication that may be prescribed from time to time for your care. Next, that you will make yourself readily available and will come forward for psychiatric and medical examination periodically whenever a psychiatrist is available in the area where you may be. Next, that you will attend on the Probation Officer, or in his absence, the Police Officer, designated during this probation period, and that you will refrain from any alcoholic beverages. Now, that is the sentence. In addition to that, I am going to make the following recommendation: ~~that~~ Notwithstanding that I have sentenced you to the Correctional Institute at Yellowknife, that you be sent out to the appropriate mental hospital in the Province of Alberta for medication and psychiatric treatment, and ^{for} medical treatment, if necessary; and that during that period, if possible, ~~that~~ the following doctors are the ones you shall consult, and who shall prescribe treatment, ~~namely~~, Doctors D. Mellon, Dr. Earp, and Dr. MacPherson. The reason I have mentioned those is because they are familiar with your race. This sentence is concurrent with any other sentence you may be serving.