

SUPREME COURT OF SEYCHELLES

Reportable
[2020] SCSC
CO 67/2018

REPUBLIC
(Rep. by Joji John)

and

LOUCIANO CHRISTOPHER BRISTOL
Mr Nichol Gabriel

ACCUSED

Neutral Citation: *The Republic v Louciano Christopher Bristol* CO 67/2018 [2020] SCSC 26
20th January 2020.

Before: Dodin J

Summary: ***Possession of Cannabis material with intent to traffic. Pled guilty –
sentenced fine of SCR 20, 000.***

Heard: 20 January 2020

Delivered: 20 January 2020

SENTENCE

DODIN J

[1] I have heard counsel in mitigation. The convict is 41 years old. He is a father of three children, 21, 18 and 15 years old. He is in employment at Clinton Leon’s garage with a salary of Rs 9,500 per month. The amount of drugs also is not on the high side, 25.92 grams which is just above the limit for possession. I do not find any other aggravating factors. There is no commercial value and there is no evidence of other involvement of other persons.

[2] In the circumstances a sentence of imprisonment is not required. I shall impose a fine of Rs20,000 on the convict. I give him six months to pay the whole fine. He can pay by instalments. In default after six months if he has not paid he would be sentenced to six months imprisonment.

[3] He can appeal against the sentence within 30 working days.

Signed, dated and delivered at Ile du Port on 20 January 2020

Dodin J