IN THE SUPREME COURT OF SEYCHELLES

Reportable [2021] SCSC みい CO 52/2020

In the matter between

THE REPUBLIC

(rep. by Ms. E. Benoiton)

and

STEPHEN DELORIE

(rep. by Mr. E. Chetty)

PROSECUTION

ACCUSED

Neutral Citation: Rep v Stephen Delorie (CR 52/2020) [2021] SCSC 321

Before:

G. Dodin

Heard:

14 June 2021

Delivered:

14 June 2021

SENTENCE

Dodin J

- I have heard counsel in mitigation. The convict has pleaded guilty and has save the Court the time and expenses of a trial. He is a young man of 21 year old. He is a first offender and he is a father of one child who is 1 year old and the main bread winner. I have also note as per mitigation by counsel that the drug is on the lower side the purity of only 2.1 grams which is just above the threshold of 2 grams for trafficking and the accused as per counsel is remorseful and counsel moves the Court to be lenient in respect of the accused and try not to impose a custodial sentence.
- [2] I have considered all these points and I agree that the convict should be given a second chance but you must not commit the offence again. So I will be imposing a suspended sentence plus a fine.

- [3] I sentence the convict to a sentence of one year and I will suspend it for three years. The convict must not commit any similar offence during that period of three years. I will also impose a fine of SCR15,000 which I will give time to pay if required so. The convict is to pay the fine for a period of six months.
- [4] The convict has 30 working days to appeal against the sentence.

Signed, dated and delivered at Ile du Port on 14 June 2021.

G. Dodin

Judge