



**IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS COURT OF APPEAL**

**CRIMINAL APPEALS 22/2020 and 23/2020**

IND 47/2020 and 48/2020

SC#01075/2020 & BC#0046/2019

BETWEEN:

AL HANDLE PEARSON

**Appellant**

- and -

Her Majesty the Queen

**Respondent**

BEFORE: **The Rt. Hon Sir John Goldring, President**  
**The Hon Dennis C Morrison, Justice of Appeal**  
**The Rt. Hon Sir Alan Moses, Justice of Appeal**

Date of Hearing: 10 September 2021

Appearances: Appellant in person  
Ms Nicole Petit, Office of the DPP for the Respondent

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JUDGMENT

Revised from transcript of oral judgment 10 September 2021 and Approved

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**Moses, J.A.**

1. This is a renewed application for an appeal. The applicant had not previously appealed against conviction. He had appealed against sentence but has withdrawn that. The application is made in consequence of his pleading guilty and being sentenced to two years for handling stolen goods.

2. The point he seeks to make now is that the indictment under count 1 itemises a number of allegedly stolen goods that were, in fact, either his or not mentioned; and although he pleaded guilty and wrote a basis of plea, that was on the misapprehension as to what he was being accused of, and the best example of that is that even though he was arraigned for a number of items under an amended indictment, no reference was made to a measuring tape, which appears to have been included in a typed version of the amended indictment.
  
3. This court has to be very careful about allowing time to be taken up in applications when other cases might otherwise be heard if there is no basis for the application to be made. We are quite satisfied that there is no basis for renewing this application for leave to make this late application for leave to appeal against conviction. He pleaded guilty. He has not shown anything that would justify going back on that plea. In those circumstances, the application will be refused.