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IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND AUCKLAND REGISTRY

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IN THE MATTER of the Crimes Act 1961

<u>AND</u>

IN THE MATTER of an application pursuant to s.347 of the Crimes Act 1961 and an application for severance of trials

<u>BETWEEN</u>: <u>COLIN GRAEME</u> <u>JURKOVICH</u> and <u>JAMES FLEMING</u>

<u>Applicants</u>

AND:

Respondent

THE POLICE

<u>Charge</u>: Conspiring to supply heroin

<u>Hearing</u>: 30 April 1987 <u>Oral Judgment</u>: 1 May 1987

<u>Counsel</u>: S B W Grieve for Applicant JURKOVICH J Haigh for Applicant FLEMING T W Fournier for Respondent

[ORAL] JUDGMENT OF HENRY, J.

This is a motion for discharge pursuant to s.347 of the Crimes Act relating to what is count no.2 in the proposed indictment which charges both accused with conspiring together to supply a Class A controlled drug, namely heroin. Having heard counsel and having considered the deposition evidence, I have reached the clear view that there is insufficient evidence to place both accused on trial on that particular count. Because they are each facing other charges relating to the same circumstances, it would be inappropriate for me to make any comment on the evidence.

Accordingly I direct, pursuant to s.347, that no indictment on the count of conspiracy be presented against either accused and that they both be discharged in that respect.

As regards the remaining counts, they of course cannot now be heard together and there will be an order that they be severed and dealt with separately.

1 May 1987

J S HENRY, J.