



MURRAY TORCETTI
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Possible Sentencing Submissions

- Age
- Early / Timely / Late Plea?
- Assistance to police
- Admissions?
- Plea to a weak crown case?
- Living arrangements
- Marital status
- Family circumstances
- Support of family?
- The trauma they may have experienced?
- Impact of penalty on family
- Level of education
- Qualifications
- Employment history
- Impact on employment?
- Most recent employment
- Letter from an employer?
- Future plans?
- Physical health
- Mental health
- Capacity
- Medications – evidence of?
- Substance abuse
- Relationship between the defendant and complainant
- Considered Justice Mediation?
- When did the substance abuse commence?
- What steps have been undertaken to address substance abuse?
- Clean drug analysts' certificates?
- Counselling they have undertaken?
- What do the character references?
- The circumstance of the offence
- Parity of offending
- The consequence of the offending on the client
- Remorse / Letter of remorse?
- Any extra-curial punishment?
- Further offending?
- How did they perform on bail?
- How did they go on existing orders after being charged?
- Have they performed well on particular orders in the past?
- Restitution?
- Presentence custody?
- Conduct while on remand?
- Any time in isolation?
- Loss of privileges?
- Courses completed while in custody?
- How did they contribute to the offending?
- What is the ideal sentence structure?
- What is the most serious offence
- What parts of the facts need to be met head-on?
- Impact on driver's license?
- Convictions recorded?