

Subject: Acess to closed sheriff court record, 1952 (SC58/52/20, no 118).

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## **Information requested:**

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## **NRS Response:**

A sensitivity review has been undertaken on this file by the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service. The information requested has been released.

The following is an accurate transcription from the Criminal and Quasi Criminal Roll book for Paisley Sheriff Court (SC58/52/20, no. 118):

No.: 118

Summary S. or Jury J.: S

Date of first warrant: February 13 1952

To Apprehend or Cite: Cite Prosecutor or Complainer: PF.

Name of Accused or Respondent: Mrs Catherine Hainey

Crime, Contravention or Offence: Con. Education (Scotland) Act 1946 Sec. 35 & 38

**Previous Convictions: 1** 

Date of Declaration or First Calling: Feb 19

Plea: G

Date assigned for further procedure: Aug 19

Date of Sentence: Aug 26

Sheriff: F

Sentence of Fine or Imprisonment - Fine: Sentence deferred 19/5/52 Admonished

Expenses: [left blank]

Term of Imprisonment: [left blank]

Sentence of Caution for good behaviour, admonition or otherwise: [left blank]

Time allowed for payment: Instalment [sic]: [left blank]

Date of Means Enquiry Court: [left blank]
Disposal at Means Enquiry Court: [left blank]
Remarks: 19:8:52 warrant to apprehend

The high volume of Summary Trials which are put before a sheriff (compared to a lengthy Jury Trial, in which the jury decides the fate of the accused) in each sheriff court is vast. It was decided by the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service in conjunction with NRS to preserve, as a record of Summary Trials, the Criminal and Quasi Criminal Roll book only. It was concluded that as this book records the name

of the accused, the nature of the charge, plea and outcome of the hearing and any punishment that this was a sufficient record of the court hearing.

Consequently, the entry in the Criminal and Quasi Criminal Roll Book, which we have provided above, is all that survives in this case. We hope that you will find the information provided helpful.