

COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO

CITATION: Williams (Re), 2014 ONCA 42

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Feldman, MacFarland and Pepall JJ.A.

IN THE MATTER OF: Jerome Williams

AN APPEAL UNDER PART XX.1 OF THE *CODE*

Jerome Williams, in person

Howard L. Krongold, *amicus curiae*

Gavin S. MacKenzie, for the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

Stacey D. Young, for the Attorney General of Ontario

Heard and released orally: January 15, 2014

On appeal against the disposition of the Ontario Review Board dated April 8, 2013.

ENDORSEMENT

[1] The appellant appeals the Board's April 8, 2013 disposition and before us requests an absolute discharge. He is presently diagnosed as suffering from schizophrenia, has limited insight into his illness, and has stated that he would cease taking medication if out of hospital.

[2] The disposition was not unreasonable and was supported by the evidence. Moreover, there was no error of law or miscarriage of justice.

[3] Based on the evidence before it, including that of Dr. McMaster, the appellant's attending psychiatrist, the Board unanimously found that the appellant continued to represent a significant threat to the safety of the public. Its decision on managing that risk is entitled to deference.

[4] We see no basis on which to interfere. The appeal is dismissed.

"K. Feldman J.A."

"J. MacFarland J.A."

"S.E. Pepall J.A."