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THE SUPREME COURT OF THE FEDERATION OF MALAYA.

REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR NO. 8/49

Payment of Fines by Instalments

In a recent case substantial fines were imposed in the

Sessions Court and on appeal to the High Court some of these fines were increased. Application was made to the High Court for leave to pay by instalments to which the Deputy Public Prosecutor agreed in the case of each of the three accused. The order was for the payment of the first instalment some 14 days after the date of the order and the three accused each entered into a personal bond without sureties. All three accused absconded without paying any part of the fine.

(b) In another case, in the Sessions Court, a substantial fine was imposed and an application for leave to pay by instalments was granted. The order was for the payment of the first instalment within 24 hours and the accused entered into a personal bond without sureties. The first instalment was paid and the accused then absconded without paying any part of the balance.

2. The Chief Justice directs that in all cases where a substantial fine is imposed and payment by instalments is approved, Judges of the Supreme Court, Presidents of Sessions Courts and Magistrates should consider the advisability of directing that a bond be entered into with sureties, except in those cases where they are satisfied that the accused is a person of such substance that a bond is not necessary.

Attention is drawn to Registrar's Circular No. 11/47.

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