Supply Heroin

50-250g

s.25(1) (NSW) Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act

s.25(1) Supply or knowingly take part in supply of prohibited drug

Commercial Quantity: 250gm

Maximum Penalty: 15 years – s.32(1)

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| 1. | Kelly NSWCCA 11.6.1992 | 3 x Supply Knowingly take part in supply | 5g 56g 5g | VG | MT 5y AT 20m | AD | | Female – principal - 3 actual supplies - knowingly took part over one month - part of large scale operation Female |
| 2. | Dimovski (37) NSWCCA 3.8.1992 | 3 x Supply | 14.4g 67.43g | PG | MT 2y AT 18m (concur with existing sentence) | Crown AA MT 3y AT 1y | Third offence committed on bail and serving PD | Nov 1989 and Mch 1991 – part of commercial operation Exceptional hardship on third party |
| 3. | Edwards (44) NSWCCA 14.8.1992 | Supply | 60g | PG | MT 7y AT 2y | AA MT 4y AT 1y 4m | long history of drug offences | Supply over nine months – police found 0.1g in house - admitted purchasing drugs, keeping some and selling to support habit - Judge decided 60g involved Drug addict - serious efforts made at rehabilitation - heroin addict for 20 years |
| 4. | Attalah (39) NSWCCA 16.2.1993 | 2 x Supply | \$50 deals 225.6g | VG | MT 4y AT 1y 4m (+ 1y 3m PSC) | AD | Priors for drugs (234g heroin) | Supplied \$50 deals to female on 4 occasions – observed purchasing heroin for \$40,000 for purpose of re-sale Discount for assistance 1/6. |

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| 5. | Sarca (32) NSW CCA 11.5.1993 Horvat | Supply Accessory to | 222g 222g | PG VG | MT 3y 6m AT 12m (+ 4 1/2m PSC) MT 3y | AD | nil drugs, primarily driving significant | Actual supply to undercover police officer. AS – facilitator – negotiated and handed over drugs – ill wife – good subjective features DH – involved to significant extent |
| | NSWCCA 9.3.1994 | supply | 9 | | AT 12m | | | |
| 6. | Higgins (40) NSWCCA 15.12.1993 | 3x Supply | .35g 11.9g 224g | VG | MT 6y 3m AT 2y 1m (+3 1/2m PSC) | AA MT 4y AT 15m | Lengthy | 2 actual supplies - third supply was agreement to supply only. |
| 7. | Davis NSWCCA 3.2.1994 | 2 x Supply | 114g Small amounts | VG | MT 3y 9m AT 1y 3m | Conviction AD | | Supplied to undercover police - small amounts found at house. |
| 8. | Grace (31) NSWCCA 22.2.1994 | 2 x Supply | 12.4g 138.6g | PG | MT 4y AT 1y | AD | no drugs but bond for BES | Supplied on two occasions to undercover police officer |
| 9. | Rahme NSWCCA 2.3.1994 | 5 x Supply | 4.5 oz (127.35g) 3 oz (84.9g) | PG | MT 2y 6m AT 10m | AD | | Agreed to supply 4oz to undercover police officer – additional ½ oz to be supplied - taped phone calls agreeing to supply three separate amounts (totalling 3oz). |
| 10. | Bulejick NSWCCA 21.7.1994 | Supply | 82.66g | VG | МТ Зу АТ Зу | Conviction AD | | Supply to undercover police officer – scales and .85g found in home |
| 11. | Dibella NSWCCA 24.8.1994 | 3 x Supply | 4.35g 8.2g 111.4g | PG | MT 2y AT 8m | AA MT 15m AT 9m | minor | Actual supplies to police officer - third supply was agreement to supply but withdrew. On appeal Crown could not prove BRD that offender had not withdrawn from third supply. |
| 12. | Hamzy NSWCCA 5.10.1994 | 2 x Supply | 131.7g 9.6g (morphine) | VG | MT 4y AT 16m | AD | | Drugs and \$42,800 cash found in search of house |
| 13. | Gerassimou NSWCCA 14.10.1994 | Supply Sched: Supply | 2oz (56g) | PG | MT 4y AT 1y 4m | AA exceptional circumstances MT 3y AT 12m | extensive | Arranged sale of heroin to police Delay |

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| 14. | Karam (1995) 83 A Crim R 416 | Supply Knowingly take part in supply | 28.2g 211g | VG | MT 5y AT 3y | AD | dishonesty and violence | Co-offender arranged for sale of drugs to police officer on separate occasions - offender source of drugs. |
| 15. | WHS NSWCCA 27.3.1995 | Supply Sched: Deemed supply 9.54g | 168.19g | PG on SI | 2y PD | Crown AA MT 18m AT 12m | Long record including drugs. On bail for supply | Supply to undercover police officer Major assistance causing major danger. |
| 16. | Jocic NSWCCA 28.4.1995 | Supply Sched: Attempt supply 13.9g | 109.3g | PG | MT 3y 5m AT 14m | AD | | Supply and attempt supply to undercover police officer |
| 17. | Richards (33) NSWCCA 27.11.1995 | Supply 3 x Supply | 2oz (56.6g) 5g 4.9g 13.9g | VG PG | MT 7y 10.5m AT 2y | AD | Including drugs. Later charges committed on bail for first offence. | Dealing with undercover police officer - principal of well organised operation. |
| 18. | Lam NSWCCA 21.2.1996 | 3 x Supply | 29.4g 78.3g 2.5 oz | PG | 12m PD 3y Bond | Crown AA FT 10m (takes into account 2m PSC and PD already done) | Nil | Actual supply to undercover police and agreement to supply Mitigating subjective features including health problems. |
| 19. | Mlacic (32) NSWCCA 25.5.1998 | Knowingly take part in supply Sched: 3 offences | 40-75g | PG | MT 3y AT 1y | AD | not serious | During one month 230 phone conversations intercepted regarding drugs - amounts small - relatively sophisticated operation involving three people. Heroin addict. |
| 20. | Duff NSWCCA 17.9.1998 | Supply | 57.37g | VG | MT 18m AT 18m | AD | | Observed by police and drugs with \$17,380 found in car. Fresh evidence of assistance no effect on lenient sentence. |
| 21. | Yin NSWCCA 30.11.1998 | Supply | 196.9g | PG | MT 4y AT 2y | AD | | Supply to undercover police officer - above a street dealer but not at the top – distributor. Family breakdown led to heroin addiction - motivation was personal use. |

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| 22. | Smith (46) NSWCCA 9.12.1998 | Supply | 1.05g 141g | PG | MT 3m AT 9m | Crown AD manifestly inadequate but discretion applied | priors for supply - on bail for supply | Female - supplied heroin over period of time with boyfriend - actual supply of 1.05g - 141g found at house. Delay in sentencing of five years - good rehabilitation - addicted at time of offence - now on methadone. |
| 23. | Ahmadi [1999] NSWCCA 161 | Supply | 180g | VG | MT 2y 8m AT 2y (+4m PSC) | AD | nil | Sold heroin with co-offender to undercover police officers. |
| 24. | Tulloh (42) [2000] NSWCCA 179 | Supply Knowingly take part in supply Sched: 4 offences | 60-90g Half oz | PG | MT 2y 9m AT 11m MT 2y 9m AT 11m (concurrent) | AD sentences are wholly inadequate | Extensive record | Heroin addicts ordered heroin over phone, drove to Sydney to collect heroin and sold from home in Goulburn - made approx 10 sales a day over one month. Second offence involved arrangements to purchase half an ounce on behalf of another person |
| 25. | Tran (37) [2000] NSWCCA 409 | Supply | 147.7g | PG | MT 5y AT 2y | AD | prior convictions for drug dealing | Found in possession of \$80,000 - heroin, \$109,000 and items associated with distribution found in house. Family background - effect of work injury - rehabilitation. |
| 26. | Diep (21) [2000] NSWCCA 472 | Supply Supply Sched: 2 offences | 56g 28g | PG | FT 2y 6m MT 3y AT 2y (concurrent) | AA FT 18m 3y NPP 18m (concurrent) | nil priors - on bail for affray | Arranged for supply of heroin to undercover police officer on 2 occasions Concurrent to sentence for affray Parity. |
| 27. | Rotariu (56) [2000] NSWCCA 546 | Supply Sched: GIC | 50.1 | PG | MT 4y AT 1y 4m | AD | previous drug convictions | Found in possession of heroin and \$3,275 – admitted supplying heroin on previous occasions to raise money to send to family in Romania. |
| 28. | Van-Oostveen (48) [2001] NSWCCA 288 | Supply | 74.9g | PG (10%) | 5y NPP 2y 6m | AA 4y NPP 2y | prior convictions relating to drug addiction | Female - found by police in possession of heroin - primarily for own use but would supply to brother and possibly friends Long term heroin addict - mother to two young daughters Judge erred in finding drug entirely for supply |

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| 29. | Scott (44) [2001] NSWCCA 418 | Supply Sched: 3 traffic off | unstated | PG (20%) | 4y 9m NPP 3y 6m | AA 4y 9m NPP 2y 8m | significant - related to drug addiction | Charge originally involved commercial quantity of heroin. Delay of 10 years due to successful conviction appeal. |
| 30. | Hoang [2001] NSWCCA 485 | Supply | 54.8g | VG | 5y NPP 2y 6m | AD | | Found in possession of heroin at scene of car accident - involved for financial gain - not an addict |
| 31. | Van (2002) 129 A Crim R 229 [2002] NSWCCA 148 | Supply Supply Sched: GIC | 111g 164.9g | PG (20%) | 3y NPP 15m 3y 3m NPP 1y 9m <u>Total</u> 6y 3m NPP 3y | AD | prior convictions including AR - Breached parole and bond | Assisted in supply of 111g by co-offender to undercover police officer - found in possession of 164.9g in house |
| 32. | Vu (42) [2003] NSWCCA 316 | Supply Supply | 0.37g 84g | PG (20%) | FT 6m 4y NPP 3y <u>Total</u> : 4y 6m NPP 3y 6m | AA FT 6m 4y NPP 2y 6m <u>Total:</u> 4y NPP 2y 6m | Nil | Supplied to undercover police officer III health – Good prospects of rehabilitation |
| 33. | Boicuic (42) [2004] NSWCCA 146 | Supply Supply Sched: 3 x GIC | 0.13g 27.4g 0.45g 3.21g 23.9g | PG (10% on appeal) | 4y 6m NPP 2y 9m 4y 6m NPP 2y 9m (concurrent) | AA 4y NPP 2y 4y NPP 2y (concurrent) | Record for supply | Found in possession of drugs on person and in house Failure to give discount for guilty plea – traumatic experience in gaol finding cellmate hanged |

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| 34. | Lilley (52) (2004) 150 A Crim R 591 [2004] NSWCCA 424 | Supply Sched: 2 offences | Approx 200g | PG (25%) | 2y 6m NPP 1y 9m | Crown AA 6y NPP 3y 9m | Lengthy, inc BES, supply etc | Found in possession of seven 1oz bags of approx 40% purity – selling to support habit Heroin addict – had recently resumed habit – remorse |
| 35. | Gip Ly (2006) 161 A Crim R 173 [2006] NSWCCA 115 | Supply Supply | 51g | PG | 2y NPP 1y suspended 2y NPP 15m | Crown AD | On bond for driving offence | Husband and wife – facts of offence not provided. SJ took into consideration hardship to young children. |
| 36. | Truong (28) [2006] NSWCCA 318 | Supply | 55.9g | PG (10-15%) | 2y 6m NPP 1y 10m | AD | Record including custody | Involved in supply – carried drugs for friend Vietnamese |
| 37. | Nguyen (57) [2006] NSWCCA 367 | Supply | 96.9g | PG (50% plea and assist) | 2y NPP 12m | Crown AD | Priors for drug offences – breached bond | Female carried drugs internally from Melbourne to Sydney – courier Personal hardships – Vietnamese – gambling addiction – remorse – good prospects of rehabilitation - assistance |
| 38. | Phillips (34) [2007] NSWCCA 211 | Supply Sched: Driving under influence of drug; Possess drugs | 84.61g | VG | 5y NPP 3y 9m | AD | Lengthy. On conditional liberty. | Drugs found by police in bag in appellant's vehicle – street value \$60k – offender (driver) and passenger both under influence of drugs. |
| 39. | Ha [2008] NSWCCA 141 | Supply Supply | 27.1g Qty of second charge not known | PG (15%) | 2y 2m NPP 12m 7y NPP 4y <u>Total:</u> 7y 6m NPP 4y 6m | AD | Nil | Police surveillance - sold heroin to D who was arrested leaving offender's premises – police search of offender 's premises found drug paraphernalia and large sums of money – part of commercial operation. |

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| 40. | Dieguez [30] [2008] NSWCCA 147 | Supply | 69.2g | VG | 6y 6m NPP 4y | AD | On bail - first custodial sentence. | Drugs found in bag on offender's lap whilst sitting in vehicle – seated with another male who was injecting drugs - not engaged in supply on more than one occasion - but substantially involved in act of supply on that occasion. |
| 41. | Melikian (46) [2008] NSWCCA 156 | Supply | 27.2g | PG (25%) | 5y NPP 3y 9m | AA 4y 6m NPP 3y | Drug offences - on parole. | Police surveillance – arranged for purchase of drugs by third person – acted as facilitator / conduit – street value between \$6900 - \$12k. Appeal allowed on parity ground. |
| 42. | Yang [2012] NSWCCA 49 | Supply Sched: Proceeds of crime 2 x supply | 135.1g | PG (25%) | 2y NPP 2y | AD | | Chinese female involved in supply of drugs to support habit and under pressure from mother to provide money – observed dealing – found in possession at home of heroin, 12.64g ketamine, 3.81g methylamphetamine and \$14,820 Drug user – difficult childhood – mental and physical health issues |
| 43. | Vu (45) [2016] NSWCCA 136 | Supply | (see facts) | See facts | 7y NPP 4y 9m (see facts) | AA 4y 6m NPP 3y 5m | Not significant | Found in possession of 325.2g heroin in chip packet having travelled from Melbourne to collect from person in Sydney – convicted at trial – more than mere courier On appeal Crown conceded failure to direct jury had to be satisfied accused aware amount of drug greater than commercial quantity – at suggestion of appellant CCA substituted verdict for lesser amount – sentenced by CCA for lesser amount Largely good character |
| 44. | Small [2018] NSWCCA 290 | Supply | 160g | PG | 4y NPP 2y | AD | local court matters | Involved in heroin distribution operation in country area – travelled to Sydney to purchase drugs with co-offender – drugs sold by third co-offender Sad and challenging background – completed residential drug rehabilitation program |
| 45. | Neal (52) [2019] NSWCCA 104 | Supply | 160g 28g | PG (25%) | 5y NPP 3y | AD | Extensive. Subject to ICO. | Part of joint criminal enterprise to supply heroin - over four months, 292 separate transactions whereby offender and his partner jointly supplied a total of 160g to co- offender for on-supply - also supplied 28g and agreed to repeat that transaction later - main driver of drug operation – motive to fund drug addiction and to make money Could not find good prospects of rehabilitation – drug addict for 38 years - difficult upbringing |

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