

Suspended sentence for bouncer over disco assault

A BOUNCER was found guilty at a special sitting of Tipperary District Court yesterday of assaulting a man at a disco in Emly, Co Tipperary.

James O'Dea, Gurtnakistin, Pallasgreen, Co Limerick, received a three-month suspended sentence and a fine of £400.

The man he assaulted, Patrick Fitzgerald (19), Caherline, Caherconlish, Co Limerick, was fined £80 for being intoxicated in a public place. He was fined £150 for threatening, abusive and insulting behaviour in a public place and a penalty of £200 was imposed for the assault on Mr O'Dea contrary to Section two of the Non-Fatal Offences Against the Persons Act, 1997.

Fitzgerald claimed he was pinned against a wall by two bouncers while another, he claimed, hit him in the face splitting his lip and knocking two teeth from his mouth requiring him to need dentures.

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