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PAKISTAN: Daniel Boyd Charles Boyd

The Supreme Appellate Court in Peshawar on 14 October heard the appeal of Daniel and Charles Boyd and cleared them of all charges.

The brothers had been sentenced on 25 September to have their right hand and left foot severed after a speedy trial court in Peshawar found them guilty of robbery. Their lawyer filed an appeal on their behalf arguing that the brothers had been falsely implicated in the bank robbery to conceal the disappearance of a cheque deposited in the bank by Daniel Boyd's wife.

The Supreme Appellate Court, consisting of three judges, decided the appeal within one day. The brothers were reportedly not in court to hear the verdict. However, they were reportedly released the same day.

No further action is required. Thanks to all those who participated in this action.