### TRACY L. WATTS

V.

### HOWARD W. LIBERTY JR.

Submitted on Briefs June 1, 2011 Decided June 2, 2011

Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and LEVY, SILVER, MEAD, GORMAN, and JABAR, JJ.

## MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Tracy L. Watts appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Portland, MG Kennedy, J.) adopting the decision of the Family Law Magistrate (Oram, M.) on Watts's motion to enforce a child support order for the parties' child. Contrary to Watts's contentions, the Magistrate did not err in crediting against Howard W. Liberty Jr.'s child support obligation the amount retroactively awarded to the child as a result of Liberty's social security disability insurance (SSDI), before that award amount had been reduced to offset the amount that the child had received in supplemental security income (SSI). See Holbrook v. Holbrook, 2009 ME 80, ¶ 8, 976 A.2d 990, 994 (we review the order of the magistrate directly); 19-A M.R.S. § 2107 (2010) (stating that the tribunal "shall give the obligor parent credit for the dependent benefits paid to the child"); 42 U.S.C.S. § 1320a-6(a) (LexisNexis 2008) (stating that a retroactive SSDI award will be offset by the amount paid in SSI benefits that would not have been paid had the SSDI been received in the months due).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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