

CHRISTOPHER STEVENS SR.

v.

STACY STEVENS

Submitted on Briefs September 27, 2012

Decided October 2, 2012

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

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Stacy Stevens appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Bangor, *Jordan, J.*) issuing a protection from abuse order against her on a complaint filed by Christopher Stevens Sr. Contrary to Stacy's contention, the court did not clearly err or abuse its discretion in taking judicial notice of the contents of two protection from abuse complaints she had filed against Christopher in a companion case when assessing her credibility at the combined hearing. *See Guardianship of Jewel M.*, 2010 ME 80, ¶ 24, 2 A.3d 301; *Bard v. Lord*, 2010 ME 48, ¶ 8, 997 A.2d 101 (finding "no error or abuse of discretion" in the trial court's taking of judicial notice); *State v. McConvey*, 459 A.2d 562, 563 n.1 (Me. 1983) ("A court may take judicial notice of its own records in the case before it including all prior pleadings and adjudications in the same case when pertinent to any issue under consideration.").

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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