Reporter of Decisions Decision No. Mem 14-12 Docket No. Pen-13-140

STATE OF MAINE

v.

MICHAEL R. LANAHAN

Argued January 15, 2014 Decided January 30, 2014

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Michael R. Lanahan appeals from a judgment of conviction of one count of domestic violence assault, (Class D), 17-A M.R.S. § 207-A(1)(A) (2013) entered in the trial court (*Campbell, J.*) following a jury trial. Contrary to Lanahan's contention, the trial court did not commit obvious error when it failed to inquire into the nature and extent of conversations a discharged juror had with other jurors and a court officer regarding her personal concerns with her religious beliefs. *See State v. Pabon*, 2011 ME 100, ¶ 29, 28 A.3d 1147 (setting forth requirements for obvious error); *State v. Nigro*, 2011 ME 81, ¶ 14 & n.5, 24 A.3d 1283 (concluding that trial court's failure to inquire into jurors' potential bias did not constitute obvious error when there was no indication that prejudice complained of existed).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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