

RANDALL B. HOFLAND

v.

SEARSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT et al.

Submitted on Briefs January 28, 2014  
Decided February 6, 2014

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Randall B. Hofland appeals from a judgment entered in the Superior Court (Waldo County, *Hunter J.*) dismissing his complaint for unlawful seizure of property pursuant to a search warrant, *see* M.R. Crim. P. 41(j), and conversion. Viewing the allegations in the complaints in the light most favorable to Hofland and construing each of his allegations as true, *see Webb v. Hass*, 665 A.2d 1005, 1008-09 (Me. 1995), the court did not err in determining that pursuant to the doctrine of res judicata, Hofland is barred from relitigating the claims that he raised, or had the opportunity to raise, in the United States District Court for the District of Maine. *See Hofland v. LaHaye*, No. 1:09-cv-00172-JAW, 2012 WL 140216, at \*4 (D. Me. Jan. 18, 2012); *see also Kurtz & Perry, P.A. v. Emerson*, 2010 ME 107, ¶ 16, 8 A.3d 677; *Bhatnagar v. Mid-Maine Med. Ctr.*, 510 A.2d 233, 236 & n.3 (Me. 1986).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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appellees Searsport Police Department, et al.

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