

LVNV FUNDING LLC

v.

JESSE FIELD

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Decided June 1, 2017

Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and ALEXANDER, GORMAN, JABAR, HJELM, and HUMPHREY, JJ.

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Jesse Field appeals from a default judgment entered against him in the District Court (Portland, *Woodman, J.*) on LVNV Funding LLC's action to recover on a credit card debt. Contrary to Field's contentions, the court did not abuse its discretion when it directed the clerk to enter Field's default after Field failed to file an answer to LVNV's complaint, despite multiple opportunities to do so and warnings that failure to file an answer could result in default. *See* M.R. Civ. P. 12(a), (b); *Town of Wiscasset v. Mason Station, LLC*, 2015 ME 59, ¶¶ 2, 6, 11, 116 A.3d 458. Nor did the court abuse its discretion when it entered a default judgment against Field as a sanction for Field's failure to respond to LVNV's discovery requests, after multiple extensions of the discovery deadline and multiple warnings that failure to respond to discovery requests could result in a default judgment. *See* M.R. Civ. P. 26(g)(1), (2); M.R. Civ. P. 37(b)(2)(C); *Estate of Hoch v. Stifel*, 2011 ME 24, ¶¶ 31-36, 16 A.3d 137; *Colony Cadillac & Oldsmobile, Inc. v. Yerdon*, 558 A.2d 364, 366-67 (Me. 1989).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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