

PAT DOE¹

v.

THOMAS R. BOYD

Submitted on Briefs April 19, 2023
Decided April 27, 2023

Panel: STANFILL, C.J., and MEAD, HORTON, CONNORS, LAWRENCE, and DOUGLAS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Thomas Boyd appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Biddeford, *Sutton, J.*), entered after a testimonial hearing, extending a protection from abuse order against Boyd for one additional year. Contrary to Boyd's contention, the record contains sufficient evidence to support the court's determination that an extension of the protection from abuse order was necessary to protect Doe from abuse, and we discern no abuse of discretion in the court's decision. *See* 19-A M.R.S. § 4007(2) (2022)²; *Doe v. Tierney*, 2018 ME 101, ¶ 11, 189 A.3d 756; *Dyer v. Dyer*, 2010 ME 105, ¶ 11, 5 A.3d 1049.

¹ Pursuant to federal law, we do not identify the plaintiff in this protection from abuse action and limit our description of events and locations to avoid revealing "the identity or location of the party protected under [a protection] order" as required by 18 U.S.C.S. § 2265(d)(3) (LEXIS through Pub. L. No. 117-157). *See Doe v. Tierney*, 2018 ME 101, n.1, 189 A.3d 756.

² Title 19-A M.R.S. § 4007(2) was repealed and replaced with a new section 4111(1) by P.L. 2021, ch. 647, § 3 (effective Jan. 1, 2023) (codified as subsequently amended at 19-A M.R.S. § 4111(1) (2023)).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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