Reporter of Decisions Decision No. Mem 24-41 Docket No. Yor-23-282

STATE OF MAINE

v.

JEFFREY PERROTTI

Submitted on Briefs March 27, 2024 Decided April 11, 2024

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Jeffrey Perrotti appeals from an adjudication by the Violations Bureau (*Tierney, J.*) determining that he committed a traffic infraction by failing to use a nonadjacent lane when "passing a stationary authorized emergency vehicle using an emergency light."¹ 29-A M.R.S. § 2054(9) (2023). Contrary to Perrotti's contentions, we conclude that competent evidence from the record supports the court's findings of "each element of the charge," and the court did not err. *State v. Palmer*, 2017 ME 183, ¶¶ 2, 7, 169 A.3d 425.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

¹ The State moved to dismiss Perrotti's appeal, and though we agree that Perrotti's brief was filed after the deadline and did not comply with the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure, *see* M.R. App. P. 7(b); M.R. App. P. 7A(a)(1), (g), we decline to dismiss the appeal because Perrotti's brief was only three days late and the State does not contend it suffered any prejudice as a result of either the timing or form of Perrotti's brief, *cf.* M.R. App. P. 4(c); M.R. App. P. 7(d).

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