Reporter of Decisions Decision No. Mem 03-161 Docket No. Som-03-304

## STATE OF MAINE

v.

## RICHARD J. WILLIS

# Submitted on Briefs October 1, 2003 Decided October 28, 2003

# Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and CLIFFORD, RUDMAN, DANA, ALEXANDER, CALKINS, and LEVY, JJ.

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Richard J. Willis appeals from the order of the District Court (Violations Bureau, *Beliveau*, *J*.), denying his motion, filed in May 2003, to reopen his adjudication for speeding, entered by default, after he failed to appear for hearing on December 3, 2001. Willis's motion was a belated attempt to challenge the 2001 adjudication. It was well past the then applicable thirty-day time period for filing a proper notice of appeal. M.R. App. P. 2(b)(3) (2001).<sup>1</sup> The trial court did not abuse its discretion in denying the motion to reopen.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amended to 21 days, effective January 1, 2002.

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