STATE OF MAINE

V.

CHRISTOPHER WELLS

Submitted on Briefs November 26, 2002 Decided June 30, 2003

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Christopher Wells appeals from the judgments of conviction entered in the Superior Court (Hancock County, *Mead*, *J*.) following a jury verdict finding him guilty of two counts of gross sexual assault (Class A) pursuant to 17-A M.R.S.A. § 253(1)(A) (Supp. 2002) and one count of assault (Class D) pursuant to 17-A M.R.S.A. § 207(1) (1983). Contrary to Wells's contentions, the court did not commit obvious error by allowing into evidence testimony of prior bad acts, *see State v. Small*, 2000 ME 182, ¶ 5, 763 A.2d 104, 105, and the evidence was sufficient to permit a fact-finder to find beyond a reasonable doubt that the victim

submitted to sexual acts as a result of compulsion, *see State v. Philbrick*, 551 A.2d 847, 852 (Me. 1988).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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