

WILLIAM C. CHURCHILL JR.

v.

DEBRA CHURCHILL

Submitted on Briefs April 1, 2004  
Decided April 16, 2004

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

William C. Churchill Jr. appeals from judgment of the District Court (Portland, *Klaila*, CMO) modifying his child support payments as of May 24, 2002. Child support orders may be modified retroactively but only back to the date that the other party was served notice of the petition to modify. 19-A M.R.S.A. § 2009(2) (1998). Debra signed the acknowledgment on May 24, 2002, therefore, the court correctly determined the effective date of the modification. *See Ames v. Ames*, 2003 ME 60, ¶ 28, 822 A.2d 1201, 1209 (holding that the policy behind 19-A M.R.S.A. § 2009(2) is “that the party who may be adversely affected by a

change in the child support amount be put on notice that the amount may change and that the change may be retroactive to the date of notice”).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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