

CLARE E. THOMAS

v.

LUKE D.R. HARES

Submitted on Briefs May 2, 2007  
Decided May 22, 2007

Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and CLIFFORD, ALEXANDER, LEVY, SILVER, and  
MEAD, JJ.

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Clare E. Thomas appeals from a judgment entered in the District Court (Skowhegan, *Jabar, J.*) modifying the child custody provisions of a foreign judgment. Contrary to Thomas's contentions, there is no evidence of bias in the guardian ad litem's report or testimony. *See In re Shane T.*, 544 A.2d 1295, 1298 (Me. 1988). It is highly probable that the errors Clare contends are contained in the court's written decision did not affect the fact-finder's judgment, and thus the errors are harmless. *See* M.R. Civ. P. 61; *State v. Joel H.*, 2000 ME 139, ¶ 21, 755 A.2d 520, 525. Finally, the court's findings that the allegations of abuse were

unfounded and that Hares would better facilitate communication between the parties than Thomas were not clearly erroneous. *See Advanced Constr. Corp. v. Pilecki*, 2006 ME 84, ¶ 14, 901 A.2d 189, 195.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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