Reporter of Decisions Decision No. Mem 09-82 Docket No. Cum-08-563

STATE OF MAINE

v.

DAVID C. RONCO

Submitted on Briefs April 30, 2009 Decided May 5, 2009

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

David C. Ronco appeals from a judgment of conviction entered by the District Court (Portland, *Goranites, J.*) on a complaint charging one count of domestic violence assault (Class D), 17-A M.R.S. § 207-A(1)(A) (2008). Contrary to Ronco's contention, there is no suggestion in the record that the trial court did not require the State prove the elements of the offense, and disprove the generated statutory defense of self-defense, beyond a reasonable doubt. 17-A M.R.S. §§ 101(1), 108(1) (2008); *see State v. Frank*, 2008 ME 78, ¶ 3 n.3, 946 A.2d 381, 382 (stating that when a party does not move for additional findings, "we presume that the District Court made the factual findings necessary to support its decision"). Once the court accepted the victim's testimony, the evidence was sufficient to sustain the State's burdens of proof. *See State v. Schmidt*, 2008 ME 151, ¶ 19, 957 A.2d 80, 86 (stating that "[d]eterminations of the weight and credibility to be afforded the evidence are within the fact-finder's exclusive province").

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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