

DENISE M. BEAULIEU

v.

MICHAEL J. LYNDS

Submitted On Briefs January 28, 2010
Decided February 2, 2010

Panel: ALEXANDER, LEVY, SILVER, MEAD, GORMAN, and JABAR, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Denise M. Beaulieu appeals from a judgment of contempt entered against her in the District Court (Houlton, *O'Mara, J.*), on Michael J. Lynds's motion, for her failure to comply with the parties' 1996 judgment of divorce. Beaulieu contends that there is no competent evidence in the record to support the judgment of contempt because the court did not make any findings, and that the court abused its discretion by ordering family counseling for Beaulieu, Lynds, and their minor daughter.

Neither party requested findings in this case. In the absence of a motion for further findings of fact or conclusions of law pursuant to M.R. Civ. P. 52(b), we are bound to assume that the trial court "found all facts necessary to support the outcome to the extent that such facts are supported in the record." *Sutherland v. Morrill*, 2008 ME 6, ¶ 5, 940 A.2d 192, 193. Contrary to Beaulieu's contention, the record adequately supports the finding of contempt. *Id.* ¶ 5, 940 A.2d at 193-94. Further, the court did not abuse its discretion in ordering family counseling as a remedial sanction for her contempt. *See* 19-A M.R.S. § 1653(7) (2009) (allowing a court to impose additional requirements or terms when a parent is found in contempt for violating an order concerning parental rights and responsibilities); *Hogan v. Veno*, 2006 ME 132, ¶¶ 21-23, 909 A.2d 638, 647-48 (indicating that family counseling is an appropriate remedial contempt sanction).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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Michael Lynds did not file a brief.

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