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**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
PROSECUTIONS IN MAINE**

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Re: 2004 Annual Report on Domestic Violence Prosecutions in Maine

Dear Senators and Representatives:

In accordance with 5 M.R.S.A. § 204-A, I am pleased to submit the 2004 Annual Report compiling information and data from domestic violence prosecutors throughout the State of Maine. As required by statute, the information assembled in this report has been produced in cooperation with the eight district attorneys. The Passamaquoddy Tribe at Pleasant Point has also submitted information for inclusion in this report.

During 2004, Maine had a total of nineteen murders and ten of those (52.6%) deaths stem from domestic violence. This is a slight increase from 2003 during which Maine had seventeen homicides, eight of which were domestic violence related. Over the past nineteen years, approximately 53% of all homicides in the State of Maine have involved domestic violence.

According to the Uniform Crime Reporting Division of the Maine Department of Public Safety, domestic violence assaults decreased 3.2% in 2004. Nevertheless, the raw numbers remain disturbing. In 2004, 5,191 domestic violence assaults were reported as compared to 5,364 in 2003.

Once again, the information compiled in this report demonstrates that domestic violence prosecutions continue to be a significant part of the caseload of the district attorneys throughout the State of Maine as well as the criminal division within my office. The information and data compiled in this report is more streamlined than in previous years. My office and the district attorneys have been working to develop a more uniform system of identifying and reporting the domestic violence prosecutions. We hope this information is helpful to you.

Please feel free to contact me or any of the district attorneys if you have any questions regarding this report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Steven Rowe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

G. STEVEN ROWE
Attorney General

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDE REPORT
December, 2004

Homicides in 2004	19
Domestic Violence Homicides	10
Grand Jury Indictments 2004	8
Relationship with victim	
Married	3
Live-in partner	3
Parent	2
Son-in-Law	1
Son	1
Weapon/Manner of death	
Firearm	4
Knife	3
Strangulation	0
Blunt Force Trauma	3
Protection from Abuse Orders	
Protection from Abuse Orders in effect	0
Bail Conditions	
Violation of Bail Conditions	1
Ages and Genders of victims/perpetrators	
Age range for victims	2 to 74 years
Age range for perpetrators	26 to 57 years
Victims	
Males	4
Females	6
Perpetrators	
Males	7*
Females	2
Case Status	
Pending trial	6
Found guilty of murder	1
Found guilty of manslaughter	0
Found not guilty	1
Murder/Suicides	2

*(There was a double homicide in 2004. 1 Perpetrator and 2 victims)

YORK COUNTY PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT I

**Prosecutorial District I
Domestic Violence Count Sentencing
1/1/2004 to 12/31/2004**

Case Resolution	Number
Conviction	195
Dismissed	294
Filed	255
Total:	744

**Prosecutorial District I
Domestic Violence Cases Initiated
1/1/2004 to 12/31/2004**

Status	Description	Number
APP	Appeal	2
SDCP	SDC Prisoner	1
PRES	Pre-Screen	3
DEC	Prosecution Declined	37
CLO	Closed	715
GJ	Pending Grand Jury	4
REF	Referral	60
SUM	Summons Requested	1
AIREQ	Additional Information Requested	1
BDCP	BDC Prisoner	1
PR	Probation Revocation	14
ASEN	Awaiting Sentence	2
FILED	Filed	142
ACT	Active	72
JP	Pending Juvenile Petition	2
RSO	Registered Sex Offender	1
LOG	Logged In	2
AW	Arrest Warrant	66
Total Cases:		1126

Prosecutorial District I

Domestic Violence Prosecutions: Status and Dispositions

1/1/2004 to 12/31/2004

<u>Disposition or Case Status</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent Of Completed Cases</u>
Prosecutions That Are: In process		
Active	46	
Additional Information	1	
Arrest Warrant	21	
Awaiting Sentence	2	
Logged In	2	
Pending Grand Jury	2	
Pre-Screen	3	
Referral	56	
Summons Requested	1	
Total Cases That Are In process	134	
Prosecutions That Are: Resolved		
Declined	6	0.61%
Dismissed	352	35.77%
Filed	166	16.87%
Found Not Guilty	1	0.10%
Guilty	373	37.91%
No Complaint	13	1.32%
Other	24	2.44%
Probation Revocation	1	0.10%
Probation Violation Def Admitted	36	3.66%
Prosecution Declined	12	1.22%
Total Cases That Are Resolved	984	
Total Cases :	1118	100.00

This report summarizes the judicial disposition of prosecutions of crimes involving domestic violence that came to a conclusion during the stated time period and the status of prosecutions of crimes involving domestic violence that are still ongoing. This report includes prosecutions that were commenced prior to the time period and either were completed or remained active at the end of the time period.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT II

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT FOR 2004
PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT 2
CUMBERLAND COUNTY**

Cases received in 2004	1242
Cases Approved in 2004	922*
Requested Information	99*
Prosecution Declined	542*
Stalking (misd.)	3
 Cases resolved in 2004	 595 cases involving 487 defendants; 50 women, 4 of those same sex
Found Guilty	331 defendants
Acquitted	2
Filed	85 defendants
Dismissed	69 defendants
Felonies	64 cases
Gross Sexual Assault	2 cases
 Resolution of cases in 2004	
Jail (straight time sentence)	86 defendants
Probation	143 defendants
Fine	99 defendants
Batterer's Intervention Program	95 defendants (89 on probation, 6 filed)
Judicial Monitoring	93 defendants (88 on probation, 5 filed)
 Probation Violations	
Initial appearances	218
Hearings scheduled	171

* Some of these cases may have been received in 2003 but not acted on until 2004. It would therefore be inaccurate to compare these figures with the total cases received in 2004 to determine charging and no-complaint rates.

Narrative:

The Cumberland County District Attorney's Office (CCDA) does not use Justware, but uses Crimes instead. We are not able to generate the above figures relating to case dispositions through Crimes, and the data is tracked by a trial assistant, and hand-counted in order to prepare this report. Records are kept in 2 different formats: one using the number of cases, and the other using the number of defendants. Many defendants have multiple charges, giving rise to a greater number of cases than defendants in all categories. Both figures have been included above where available.

The role of the domestic violence prosecutors in Cumberland County

From July 1999 through December, 2003, CCDA had 2 domestic violence prosecutors, one of whom resigned in December, 2003. We were unable to fill the vacancy during 2004, leading to a significant change in the role and activities of the remaining prosecutor. We were unable to provide law enforcement training on domestic violence issues or to accept speaking engagements and involvement in task forces. We were unable to provide vertical prosecution (which was an important function of the DV Unit) in all cases. However, the vacancy will be filled on or about June 20, 2005, and these activities and functions will be resumed.

Resources available to DV prosecutors

CCDA has an investigator assigned to its DV Unit through the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office. There is one probation officer assigned to handle DV cases only, with a reduced maximum caseload that enables him to more closely monitor his probationers.

The greatest impediment to convictions

The greatest impediment to convictions is victims who are unwilling to testify, can not be located, do not show up in court under subpoena, and/or who recant. Although we aggressively prosecute without victims when possible, often there is insufficient evidence to proceed without the victim's participation. We were able to obtain guilty pleas in 145 cases in which victims were uncooperative with prosecution. Defendants in 147 cases pled guilty in situations where victims were cooperative.

**ANDROSCOGGIN, FRANKLIN AND OXFORD COUNTIES
PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT III**



PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT III

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT

2004

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Report for Domestic Violence Cases in Androscoggin County - 2004

The following is a narrative summary of the data attached as Appendix A and B.

I. The Role of the Domestic Violence Prosecutor

The number of individuals charged with domestic violence crimes in District III continues to rise. In the Lewiston District Court 1062 domestic violence cases were closed in 2004, an increase of 282 cases from 2003 or an overall increase of 27 percent. This increase continues an overall sharp increase in the number of cases since District III first employed a Domestic Violence Prosecutor in 1999.

Attached as Appendix B to this report, the reader will find statistical data regarding "Motions to Amend Bail." Title 15, commonly referred to as the "Bail Code," allows Defendants to file a motion with the District Court to relieve them of special conditions imposed as a result of the Defendant's bail status. Most often, the request involves a desire to have contact with the alleged victim of the crime. The District Court has ruled by Administrative Order that such a request be heard as soon as possible following Defendant's arrest.

In 2004, the domestic violence prosecutor and domestic violence victim advocate participated in two hundred twenty-eight (228) Motions to Amend Bail. The Court granted Defendant's request in sixty-six percent (66%) of the cases. One hundred fifty (150) motions were granted either wholly or in part. Sixty nine (69) motions were denied and nine (9) motions were withdrawn after pleas of guilty.

A. What resources are available?

District III does not have a dedicated probation officer or investigator for domestic violence cases. The Franklin County Sheriff's Department has a domestic violence investigator

and the Lewiston Police Department has a domestic violence coordinator to assist in preparing cases for prosecution and promotion of victim safety for Lewiston cases only.

B. What are the greatest impediments to conviction?

Domestic violence crimes in most police departments are handled by a patrol officer. This is true even with felony level assaults. Unlike other areas of concern, such as sex crimes, most area law enforcement agencies do not specifically assign the investigation of domestic violence allegations to a detective or other investigator with expertise in this area. The sheer volume of these cases means that these allegations are investigated by the law enforcement personnel on duty when the incident occurs. Limited municipal and court resources simply make it almost impossible for small, rural law enforcement agencies to give any more time or attention to these criminal offenses. Domestic violence cases are time consuming and labor intensive. Without additional human resources, time allocated to domestic violence investigation will compete with other demands.


II. Statistics

It should also be noted that this data represents the disposition of cases based on charges not defendants. This analytical difference must be taken into consideration when comparing the number of convictions and dismissals. Using this data base to determine conviction rates does not necessarily reflect the number of defendants convicted. For example, a defendant may be charged by complaint with one (1) count of assault and one (1) count of criminal threatening. Because both charges arise out of the same incident, a plea or conviction upon both charges would likely result in a concurrent sentence. Pursuant to a plea agreement, a defendant might plead guilty to the assault charge in return for the State's dismissal of the criminal threatening charge. The result would be a conviction rate of 50%. If our data was collected and analyzed

based on defendants instead of charges, our conviction rate for this case would then be 100%. In short, the manner in which data is collected and analyzed must be considered in evaluating the quality and success of domestic violence prosecutions.

We wish to stress that these numbers, while an impressive and dramatic improvement over prior years, do not adequately describe the efforts of those involved in the prosecution of domestic violence in this prosecutorial district. Successful prosecution of a domestic violence case does not always or necessarily involve a conviction for a criminal charge. If we pay attention only to conviction rates, we ignore the defendant whose case was filed with the condition that he complete the Certified Batterer's Intervention Program or the victim who, after meeting with the domestic violence victim's advocate, leaves the marital home to avoid further abuse. The measures for successful prosecution are too numerous to list. It is important therefore to realize that numbers are only one measure.

DATED: August 22, 2005


NORMAN R. CROTEAU
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT THREE

"2004"	Cases	Def	Pleas/Agreements	Dismissed	Continued	Conv-Def	Conv-Cases
January	98	55	27	18	53	49%	60%
February	137	81	67	28	42	82%	71%
March	117	57	56	24	38	98%	71%
April	123	87	37	25	60	42%	59%
May	122	72	36	30	56	50%	55%
June	46	31	21	5	19	67%	78%
July	100	61	48	14	38	79%	77%
August	44	25	18	7	19	72%	72%
September	67	42	39	14	14	92%	74%
October	55	33	23	12	20	70%	66%
Novembver	81	58	39	21	20	67%	64%
December	<u>72</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>86%</u>	<u>71%</u>
Totals	1062	645	448	213	399	71%	68%

Bail Motions District Court

<u>DATE</u> " 2004"	<u>MOTIONS</u>	<u>GRANTED</u>	<u>DENIED</u>	<u>PARTIAL</u>	<u>PLEAS</u>
January	30	8	9	13	0
February	15	7	1	6	1
March	7	1	0	4	2
April	14	6	4	2	2
May	14	8	2	4	0
June	20	7	7	6	0
July	28	5	13	10	0
August	20	6	7	7	0
September	23	12	8	3	0
October	9	3	2	2	2
November	18	4	8	5	1
December	<u>30</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTALS	228	75	69	75	9

**KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET COUNTIES PROSECUTORIAL
DISTRICT IV**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STATISTICS

2004

KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET COUNTIES
PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT IV
EVERT FOWLE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY
BRAD C. GRANT
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROSECUTOR

June 23, 2005

RE: 2004 Domestic Violence Report

Dear Members of the Maine Legislature:

Prosecutorial District IV continues to prioritize the fight against domestic violence. Having a unified and comprehensive approach to identifying, investigating and prosecuting domestic violence cases has made progress. As you are aware, this office has been fortunate in having the support of the county commissioners of Kennebec and Somerset Counties. Each county has continued its support in the fight against domestic violence by funding a domestic violence investigator that works in our office. Our office has also had the continued support from the federal government through a federal grant for another domestic violence investigator.

The domestic violence investigators are the front line in identifying domestic violence, taking steps in protecting victims, and ensuring the integrity of court bail orders by investigating violations. They have also been extremely helpful in assisting law enforcement agencies in the area with intelligence and support in subpoenaing crucial witnesses to family violence.

Critical to the enforcement of family violence is support for dedicated domestic violence prosecutors. Unlike other prosecutors, dedicated domestic violence prosecutors are specially trained in the patterns of domestic violence, the common response by victims to place blame upon themselves instead of the abuser and how best to approach each situation on a case by case basis. Dedicated domestic violence prosecutors continue to emphasize and prioritize domestic violence.

The following report illustrates the growth and advancement in the prosecution of domestic violence while also recognizing the need and necessity for continued support of everyone in the community in order for there to be continued success.

Sincerely,



Evert Fowle

District Attorney

Kennebec and Somerset Counties

2004 Domestic Violence Statistics for Kennebec and Somerset Counties

There were seven hundred and sixty-one (761) Defendant's prosecuted for crimes involving domestic violence in Kennebec and Somerset Counties in 2004. Of the six hundred fifty-eight (658) cases prosecuted, five hundred fifty four were closed with convictions obtained against the Defendant. This represents an eighty-six (91%) percent conviction rate.

The 2004 statistics for Kennebec and Somerset County are maintained by the Defendant and the number of convictions per Defendant, rather than by charge and the number of convictions per charge. For statistical purposes, the current method more accurately reflects the conviction rate. Maintaining the statistics by charge rather than by Defendant, improperly exaggerates the dismissal rate and did not accurately count how many domestic violence offenders were convicted.

The primary reason for this is that one Defendant could be charged within the discretion of the prosecutor with more than one crime. For example, one Defendant could be charged for the same conduct with felony assault and misdemeanor assault pled in the alternative. Although the prosecutor may dismiss the misdemeanor assault charge upon the Defendant plea to the felony assault charge, the Defendant would still have been convicted of a felony assault charge and would have received an appropriate sentence. If statistics were based upon the number of charges, a completely successful prosecution would statistically show a fifty (50) percent conviction rate. It is our opinion that statistics based upon charges prohibit an accurate assessment of the situation. Statistics kept on charges only measure the charging policy of the prosecutor.

The District Attorney's Office reviewed a total of 761 cases. The Domestic Violence Prosecutor declined to prosecute one hundred three (103), or thirteen and one-half percent (13.5%) of the cases submitted. The decision not to prosecute was based upon the Domestic Violence Prosecutor's decision that a crime had not been committed or the Domestic Violence Prosecutor's inability to determine culpability.

2004 Domestic Violence Investigator Statistics

Summary of Assistance

The Domestic Violence Investigators reviewed police reports, requested national and state criminal background checks for each of the seven hundred thirty charged Defendants. An estimated 40%¹ were repeat offenders or multi-state offenders with prior convictions. The investigators requested the criminal history immediately upon receiving the police report in order to have the record available as soon as possible. This information is important to determine whether the Defendant is a repeat offender who should be charged by the Domestic Violence Prosecutor with a felony based upon priors. A criminal history is also very influential in the amount of bail and the conditions placed upon a Defendant pending trial. Additionally, the Defendants prior record also is instrumental in that Defendant receiving an appropriate sentence from the court when a conviction is obtained.

The Investigators assist the Domestic Violence Prosecutor in building a solid, evidentiary-based case without relying on a victim. This is because many victims become reluctant over time and refuse to cooperate due to family, economic and other pressures. The Investigators conduct further investigations to collect evidence as requested by the Domestic Violence Prosecutor. Additional evidence often includes 911 tape recordings, additional witness statements, photographing of injuries, collecting medical records, and getting additional victim statements concerning violations of bail. The Domestic Violence Investigators work to close gaps in the criminal justice system that puts victims at increase risk and decrease the likelihood of obtaining convictions.

The Investigators also work with local law enforcement to coordinate efforts to enforce bail conditions and protection from abuse orders issued by the court.

¹ This figure was obtained from the 2001 Domestic Violence Report.

Domestic Violence 2004 – KENNEBEC/SOMERSET COUNTIES

BOTH COUNTIES

	TOTAL CASES	GUILTY/TOT	PCT.	DECLINE	ACTIVE CBIP	
SOMERSET	213	163/170	.958	35	8	29
KENNEBEC	548	391/438	.892	68	42	169
TOTAL	761	554/608	.911	103	50	198

SOMERSET	213	163/170	.958	35	8	29
AUGUSTA D.C	282	177/201	.881	63	18	72
WATERVILLE D.C.	266	214/237	.904	5	24	97

**PENOBSCOT AND PISCATAQUIS COUNTIES PROSECUTORIAL
DISTRICT V**

Disposition of Offenses

Office of the Prosecutorial Attorney - District 5 - Bangor
Domestic Violence Cases Closed from 1/1/04 and 12/31/04

Case dismissed after complaint being issued

Continued 6 months	32
Defendant pled guilty to other charges	303
Does Not Warrant Prosecution	30
Insufficient Evidence	31
Mutual Incident	3
Victim/Witness Unavailable/Uncooperative	123

Complaint denied before issuance

Defendant pled guilty to other charges	1
Does Not Warrant Prosecution	4
Insufficient Evidence	49
Victim/Witness Unavailable/Uncooperative	5

Pled guilty or nolo

At arraignment in District Court	138
At trial in District Court	388
In Superior Court	116

Trial

Found guilty	27
Found not guilty	11

Total Offenses this period

1261

**SAGadahoc, LINCOLN, KNOX AND WALDO COUNTIES
PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT VI**

NARRATIVE

Basis of the Statistics

The above statistics come from a Domestic Violence report generated by the Just Ware database program used in all counties except Cumberland.

Notes on Statistics

Cases initiated and case dispositions will not match. The time between case initiation and disposition can be considerable, sometimes six months to a year. Some of the cases initiated in 2003 are included in the 2004 disposition statistics.

Cases resolved with incarceration include sentences of straight jail time, straight probation and split sentences of jail plus probation.

There is an unexplainable discrepancy between the number of convictions and number of sentences or dispositions.

Characteristics of District VI

Four counties make up District VI. Waldo and Sagadahoc Counties each have active domestic violence investigators working closely with the District Attorney's Office. Knox County filled its Domestic Violence Coordinator position in April 2004. Lincoln County's domestic violence investigator began work in April 2004.

Domestic violence investigators continue to be a great asset to their counties. Investigator case follow-up and continuing contact with victims of domestic violence increases success at trial. Investigators continue to improve the strength of prosecution cases by coordinating law enforcement efforts and community victim services.

District VI has seven assistant district attorneys and a grant-funded juvenile prosecutor. District VI was able to fill its vacancy in December 2003, and was therefore operating at full strength during 2004. The seven assistant district attorneys continue to cover eight courts in the district.

There is no one attorney designated to prosecute all domestic violence cases in the district. The size of the district and multiplicity of courts makes that impractical. Instead, each county's attorneys prosecute the cases in their respective county. One attorney in the district has the responsibility of preparing this report.

Knox County started a Domestic Violence Task Force in 2004. Members include law enforcement officers, the Domestic Violence Coordinator, victim witness advocates, probation officers, assistant district attorneys, defense attorneys, staff from New Hope for Women, and the director of Time For Change, which is the batterers' intervention program. These meetings have been a helpful way to discuss better ways to handle domestic violence cases, including prosecution, how to increase community awareness of domestic violence, and how to ultimately combat domestic violence.

Impediments to Prosecution in District VI

The biggest impediment to prosecuting domestic violence cases is the lapse in time between the commission of the crime and trial for that offense. While this is true of many criminal cases, this impediment is heightened because of the ongoing fear among many domestic violence victims. This fear is based on many factors. Some victims refuse to even write a statement or have their injuries photographed. Even when victims do write statements or consent to being photographed, by the time the case is ready for trial, which could be six months to a year after the commission of the offense, many victims recant or have alternative explanations for their injuries. The district works hard to overcome this impediment through victim witness advocates and domestic violence investigators who try to make contact with victims as soon as possible, and to maintain contact, but this effort can be ineffective when trial is delayed. The implementation of a Domestic Violence court, like the ones in some other parts of the State, could make the court process more efficient and lead to more success in the prosecution of domestic violence cases.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT FOR 2004
DISTRICT VI**

STATISTICS

Cases initiated in 2004

Total submitted	343
Prosecution declined	13
Active or pending action	59
Closed 2004 cases	271

Cases resolved in 2004

Convicted	276
Acquitted	3
Not prosecuted	22
Filed	1
Dismissed	46
Total resolved	348

Sentencing in cases closed in 2004

Incarceration	190
Fine	4
Batterer's Intervention Program	not reported

**HANCOCK AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES PROSECUTORIAL
DISTRICT VII**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT FOR 2004

PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT VII

Cases initiated in 2004	264
Approved	230
Requested Information	3
Prosecution Declined	31
Cases resolved in 2004	235
Found Guilty	176
Acquitted	6
Filed*	0
Dismissed	45
Prosecution Declined	8
Resolution of cases in 2004	126
Jail	86
Probation	36
Fine	3
Batterer's Intervention Program**	

Incidents involving a firearm***

* District VII has a policy of no filings.

** The report is currently unable to tabulate the number of defendants sentenced to attend the Batterer's Intervention Program as part of their probation.

*** The report is currently not tabulating the number of domestic violence cases in which a firearm is used.

Narrative:

Prosecutorial District VII includes Hancock and Washington Counties. There are District Courts in Ellsworth, Bar Harbor, Machias and Calais and Superior Courts in Ellsworth and Machias. Because of the distances involved, two prosecutors are assigned to domestic violence cases, one in each county. Each prosecutor has a non-domestic violence caseload as well. District VII has two victim/witness advocates designated to domestic violence, one in each county. These positions are grant-funded. District VII also has two domestic violence investigators. The Hancock County position is a detective/liason officer who works out of the District Attorney's office on domestic violence and sexual assault cases. The Washington County position operates out of the Sheriff's Department.

AROOSTOOK COUNTY PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT VIII

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT FOR 2004
 Prosecutorial District VIII
 District Attorney, Neale T. Adams

Cases initiated in 2004	201
Warrant Outstanding	4
Probation Revocation	6
Grand Jury Eligible	1
Prosecution Declined	20
Closed	154
Active	16

Cases Resolved in 2004	202
Not Prosecuted	18
Filed	16
Dismissed	22
Conviction	143
Acquittal	3

Resolution of cases in 2004	67
Split	6
Probation	5
Inc	37
Fine	18
File	1

Cases in which CBI was a condition of P/P

CSC	4
HDC	1
HSC	1
PIDC	10

The report is currently not tabulating the number of domestic violence cases in which a firearm is used.

Narrative: Prosecutorial District VIII is the entire Aroostook County. There are District Courts in Houlton, Presque Isle, Madawaska, Fort Kent and Caribou. There are four prosecutors who follow all cases from cradle to grave arising in their assigned courts. There are Superior courts in Houlton and Caribou. There are no special domestic violence prosecutors, detectives or victim advocates. All prosecutors handle all types of cases.

PASSAMAQUODDY TRIBE AT PLEASANT POINT



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July 13, 2005

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RE: Prosecutions for Assaults Related to Domestic Violence at Pleasant Point

Dear Mr. Stokes,

I am pleased to provide you with data for inclusion in your report to the Legislature for 2004. The data provided below represents the activity at the Passamaquoddy Tribal Court located at Pleasant Point Reservation and does not include Indian Township, Princeton.

Disposition of Class D Assaults Related to Domestic Violence at
 Pleasant Point Tribal Court

CALENDAR YEAR	ARRAIGNMENTS IN PP TRIBAL COURT	CASE DISMISSED	NOLO PLEAS	FOUND GUILTY	FOUND NOT GUILTY	FILED
2004	4 (All Males)	3	0	1	0	0

Sincerely,

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