

STATE OF MAINE

v.

RICHARD J. WATSON

Submitted on Briefs May 25, 2022  
Decided June 2, 2022

Panel: STANFILL, C.J., and JABAR, HORTON, CONNORS, and LAWRENCE, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Richard J. Watson appeals from two judgments of conviction<sup>1</sup> entered in the trial court (Penobscot County, *Anderson, J.*) after he pleaded guilty to gross sexual assault (Class A), 17-A M.R.S. § 253(1)(C) (2022), unlawful sexual contact (Class A), 17-A M.R.S. § 255-A(1)(F-1) (2022), visual sexual aggression against a child (Class C), 17-A M.R.S. § 256(1)(B) (2022), and perjury (Class C), 17-A M.R.S. § 451(1)(A) (2022). For the gross sexual assault conviction, the court imposed a sentence of twenty-two years of imprisonment followed by twenty years of supervised release, and, for the remaining convictions, it imposed lesser sentences to be served concurrently with the sentence for gross sexual assault. Contrary to Watson's contention, the sentence imposed for gross sexual assault was not unconstitutional because it was not grossly disproportionate to the offense. *See* Me. Const. art. I, § 9; *State v. Stanislaw*, 2013 ME 43, ¶ 29, 65 A.3d 1242; *State v. Hansen*, 2020 ME 43, ¶¶ 33-37, 228 A.3d 1082.

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<sup>1</sup> We consolidated Watson's two separate appeals.

The entry is:

Judgments affirmed.

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