

STEVEN FURTH et al.

v.

LISE JOHNSON-STANLEY

Submitted on Briefs November 25, 2024  
Decided December 5, 2024

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

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Steven and Ashley Furth appeal from a judgment by the District Court (Machias, *David Mitchell, J.*) denying the Furths' request for a protection from harassment order against Lise Johnson-Stanley following a hearing. *See* 5 M.R.S. §§ 4651, 4654, 4655 (2024). While the Furths' initial notice of appeal was timely, it was unsigned, and therefore it cannot be deemed as filed for the purposes of calculating time limits. *See* M.R. App. P. 2A(e), 2A(b)(1), 2B(c)(1). The clerk followed the proper process by notifying the Furths of their incomplete filing and returning to them their unsigned notice of appeal. *See* M.R. Civ. P. 5(f); M.R. App. P. 2A(b)(1), 2A(e). The Furths subsequently filed a signed notice of appeal 22 days after the entry of the judgment appealed from, after the filing deadline had passed. *See* M.R. App. P. 2A(e), 2B(c)(1). The signed notice of appeal is therefore untimely, and the deadline cannot be enlarged. *See* M.R. App. P. 2B(c)(1), 14(c).

The entry is:

Appeal dismissed.

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Steven Furth and Ashley Furth, appellants pro se

Lise Johnson-Stanley did not file a brief

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