STATE OF MAINE

V.

SHARI THOMPSON

Submitted on Briefs June 27, 2002 Decided July 25, 2002

Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and CLIFFORD, RUDMAN, DANA, ALEXANDER, CALKINS, and LEVY, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Shari Thompson appeals from the judgment of the Superior Court (Lincoln County, *Hunter, J.*) issued upon a jury verdict finding her guilty of assault pursuant to 17-A M.R.S.A. § 207(1)(A) (1983) (Class D). Thompson contends that the evidence was insufficient to overcome the parental control justification, 17-A M.R.S.A. § 106 (1983). Viewed in the light most favorable to the State, the evidence was sufficient for the jury to find, beyond a reasonable doubt, that Thompson's belief that her actions were necessary to control her son's conduct was grossly deviant from what a reasonable and prudent parent would believe necessary in the same situation. *State v. York*, 2001 ME 30, ¶¶ 7, 15, 766 A.2d 570, 573,

574-75; *State v. Wilder*, 2000 ME 32, ¶¶ 45-46, 748 A.2d 444, 455-56.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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