

STATE OF MAINE
SUPERIOR COURT
DISTRICT COURT

STANDING ORDER IMPOUNDING CERTAIN PRIVATE IMAGES

Effective June 23, 2022
Amended June 20, 2025

Whereas, State and Federal law have made it a crime for a person, to knowingly disseminate, display or publish a photograph, videotape, film or digital recording of another person in a state of nudity or engaged in a sexual act or sexual contact (hereafter private images); and

Whereas, persons who are investigating a crime related to the above-described acts, victims of crimes or claims related to private images, or attorneys representing the State or other person or entity may need to file a private image described above; and

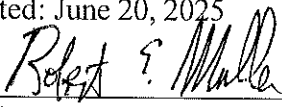
Whereas, in the course of a resulting court proceedings it may become necessary for the private image to be introduced into the court record;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ORDERED as follows:

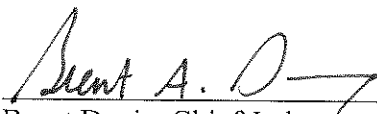
In all court proceedings any person submitting to the court any private images in any form (including a photograph, videotape, film, or digital recording), or written information describing and directly pertaining to the images contained in the court records, must file the image in a sealed envelope. The envelope must be marked "sealed" and contain the case caption and docket number. The court clerk will place the envelope under seal. A named party or party's attorney may make arrangements to view the sealed image at the courthouse.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 20, 2025



Robert Mullen, Chief Justice
Maine Superior Court



Brent Davis, Chief Judge
Maine District Court