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STATE OF MONTANA,) Cause No. DC-32-2024-0000255
)
Plaintiff,) Missoula County District Court
-vs-)
) Montana Fourth Judicial District
JASON EDWARD KRESKEN,)
) **DECISION**
)
Defendant.)

On May 21, 2025, the Court found the Defendant violated the conditions of the last Judgment entered by the Court, revoked the sentence, and sentenced him as follows: Count I: Six (6) months to the Missoula County Detention Facility, for the offense of Violation of Order of Protection – 1st Offense, a Misdemeanor, in violation of §45-5-626(3)[1st], MCA, to run concurrently with Counts II and III. Count II: Six (6) months to the Missoula County Detention Facility, for the offense of Violation of Order of Protection – 2nd Offense, a Misdemeanor, in violation of §45-5-626(3)[2nd], MCA, to run concurrently with Counts I and III. Count III: Two (2) years commitment to the Department of Corrections for the offense of Violation of Order of Protection – 3rd or Subsequent Offense, a Felony, in violation of §45-5-626(3)[3rd], MCA, to run concurrently with Counts I and II. The terms and conditions of the deferred or suspended portion of the Judgment were the same as those contained in the Judgment filed with the Court on November 12, 2024. The Defendant was given credit for time served in the amount of 161 days.

On February 6, 2026, the Defendant's Application for review of that sentence came on for hearing by Zoom videoconference before the Sentence Review Division of the Montana Supreme Court (hereafter “the Division”). The Defendant appeared from the Crossroads Correctional Center and was represented by Shannon Sweeney, Defense Counsel. The State was not represented. The Defendant did give a statement.

Before hearing the Application, the Defendant was advised that the Division has the authority not only to reduce the sentence or affirm it but also increase it. The Defendant was further advised that there is no appeal from a decision of the Division. The Defendant acknowledged that he understood this and stated that he wished to proceed.

Rule 12, Rules of the Sentence Review Division of the Supreme Court of Montana, provides that, "The sentence imposed by the District Court is presumed correct. The sentence shall not be reduced or increased unless it is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive." (Section 46-18-904(3), MCA).

The Division finds that the reasons advanced for modification are insufficient to hold that the sentence imposed by the District Court is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive.

Therefore, it is the unanimous decision of the Division that the sentence is AFFIRMED.

DATED this 26th day of February 2026.

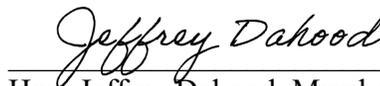
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