

District Court Judge Tammy Ham-Thompson
Maine District Court
71 Lisbon Street, P.O. Box 1345
Lewiston, ME 04243

Oct. 29, 2023

Dear Judge Ham-Thompson,

I am writing to request that the arrest warrant affidavit in the case of the State v Robert Card be unimpounded since Card cannot be arraigned or indicted.

The State's motion to impound said the release of the affidavit would "impede on the law enforcement's ability to conduct their investigation;" however, with Card's death there is not the same risk to the investigation because the active manhunt is over.

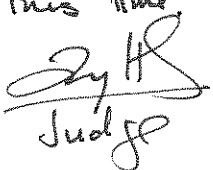
Previously, in State v Kyle Dube the court found justification in keeping the affidavit impounded until a case could be presented to a grand jury but not until trial. However, that is not possible in this case.

There is an overwhelming public interest in this case and continuing to impound the arrest warrant affidavit would be doing a great disservice to the people of Maine.

I respectfully request that Card's affidavit be unimpounded.

Sincerely,

Marie Weidmayer
Bangor Daily News reporter

ORDER
Request is denied as
as the affidavit remains
impounded at this time
10/30/2023

Judge