

STATE OF MAINE
KENNEBEC, ss.

UNIFIED CRIMINAL DOCKET
DOCKET NO.: KENCDCR-24-2158

STATE OF MAINE)
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v.)
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MEGAN McDONALD,)
 Defendant.)

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 7

This matter came before the Court for a status conference today via Zoom. Present were Lisa W.D. Whitter, Esq. and Scott F. Hess, Esq. for the Defendant and Assistant Attorney General Laura Yustak, Esq. for the State. Assistant Attorney General Kimberly N. Richardson, Esq. was present on behalf of Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center (“Dorothea Dix”). Also appearing was the Defendant, Megan McDonald.

Pursuant to its order dated November 20, 2025, the Court found good cause to delay holding a hearing on the State’s Motion for Involuntary Medication of Incompetent Defendant pending the Defendant’s retention of a medical expert. *See* 15 M.R.S. § 106(3)(A). At today’s conference, the Defense informed the Court it is on track to designate the expert by February 6, 2026.

Also before the Court is the issue of the State’s subpoena of the Defendant’s records from Dorothea Dix, which it has sought pursuant to M.R. Crim. P. 17A. The Court recently received responsive records from Dorothea Dix, which it will review *in camera*. After the review is complete, the Court will issue an order accordingly. The Court notes the Defense made a request to review the records before the State receives them, which the Court denied.

The Court also discussed the scheduling of a hearing on the State’s pending motion. After discussion with counsel, the Court stated it would schedule another status conference

during the week of February 23rd to address any remaining issues relating to the hearing and set a date for it. The Court anticipates the parties will confer prior to the status conference to identify any issues that will require the Court's attention.

The Clerk may incorporate this order into the docket by reference pursuant to M.R.U. Crim. P. 53(a).

Date: **2/3/2026**



Daniel J. Mitchell
Justice, Unified Criminal Court