STATE OF MAINE DISTRICT COURT

XXXXXXX, ss. LOCATION:

JUVENILE ACTION

DOCKET NO.: JV-

STATE OF MAINE )

) ORDER GRANTING

v. ) PETITION TO SEAL JUVENILE ) RECORDS PURSUANT TO

, ) 15 M.R.S. § 3308(8)

Juvenile )

A hearing on Petition to Seal Juvenile Records was held on February 15, 2017. Petitioner appeared in court and was represented by XXX. The State of Maine was represented by Assistant District Attorney XXXXXXXX.

Based on the Petition, supporting documents, and argument submitted to the Court, this Court finds the following:

1. At least 3 years have passed since discharge from the disposition ordered for the juvenile crime; AND
2. Since the date of disposition, had not been adjudicated to have committed a juvenile crime and has not been convicted of committing a crime as an adult; AND
3. There are no current adjudicatory proceedings pending against for juvenile or other crimes.
4. Further, this Court finds that privacy interests outweigh the public’s interest in the information contained in his juvenile record for the following reasons:
   1. juvenile record has negatively impacted his ability to find employment and support himself and his family;
   2. The conduct underlying the juvenile charges was addressed via therapy, in which was a committed and successful participant;
   3. The public was not affected by conduct; and
5. Assistant District Attorney XXXXX took no position on this Petition.

Accordingly, this Court hereby GRANTS Petition to Seal his Juvenile Records and ORDERS:

1. The Clerk’s Office to forward this Order to the State Bureau of Investigation notifying it of its duty to seal this record; and
2. Pursuant to 15 M.R.S. § 3308(8)(C) this Court may not disclose the contents of this record in any form, including but not limited to orally, electronically, or in writing, except to the following entities:
   1. Courts;
   2. Criminal Justice Agencies;
   3. or designee.
3. XXX may respond to inquiries about his juvenile record from entities other than the courts and criminal justice agencies as if the juvenile crime had never occurred without being subject to any sanctions. 15 M.R.S. § 3308(8)(D).

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Date Judge, Maine District Court