

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
JUDICIAL BRANCH
SUPERIOR COURT

Rockingham County

Rockingham Superior Court

State v. Brandon M. Castiglione

218-2019-CR-01132

ORDER ON EX PARTE HEARING - STATUS OF COUNSEL

On August 31, 2021, the Court held an ex parte hearing with Defendant Brandon Castiglione and his counsel from the NH Public Defender. This order memorializes the fact that the Court held the hearing and summarizes the results.

Mr. Castiglione expressed again the difficulties he is having communicating with counsel given his current housing situation, and also stated his opinion that he believes he needs more time with mental health providers. As the parties are aware, the Court (Wageling, J.), earlier in August, wrote as follows: "Insofar as the House of Corrections is able, while abiding by its administrative rules, the Court requests that Defendant be afforded mental health treatment and that he is allowed further access to counsel." Order dated August 6, 2021. At this time, there is nothing further for the Court to do.

As part of the same August 6 order, the Court directed the NH Public Defender to inform the Court of its attorney assignment going forward. The NH Public Defender did so, notifying the Court and the State that Attorney Robin Davis would be entering her appearance in mid-September when she joins the office.

The August 31 ex parte hearing was prompted by status of counsel request filed on behalf of Mr. Castiglione. After some discussion, the Court determined that the best way to proceed would be to hold off on making any rulings regarding counsel until after Mr. Castiglione has had a chance to meet with Attorney Davis.


There is a status conference scheduled for September 20, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., in person. If that needs to be converted to a status of counsel hearing, or if such a hearing needs to be scheduled in conjunction with the status conference, counsel shall notify the Clerk in advance.

So ordered.

September 1, 2021

Date

Clerk's Notice of Decision
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Judge Martin P. Honigberg