

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
JUDICIAL BRANCH
SUPERIOR COURT**

Merrimack County

Merrimack Superior Court

State v. Eric Sweeney

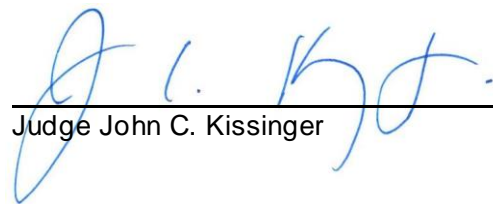
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ORDER

A hearing on suppression motions and a motion to compel discovery was held on April 11, 2024. The Court took the suppression motions under advisement. With respect to the motion to compel, the defense indicated it wanted to provide some information to the Court ex parte to support the request. In essence, the defense seeks downloads of the cellphones belonging to decedent Kassandra Sweeney and her husband, Sean Sweeney. The State objects in part based on the privacy rights of Sean Sweeney. A further hearing shall be scheduled as the docket allows to allow Sean Sweeney an opportunity to address the Court on any privacy concerns he may have. The Court declines the request of the State that counsel be appointed for Sean Sweeney. The Court will seal the courtroom to allow Sean Sweeney to do so in a non-public setting. At that time of the same hearing, the Court will give defense counsel an opportunity on an ex parte basis to explain why this information is discoverable. The ex parte portion of that hearing will be done on the records without the State or anyone other the defendant, his counsel and court personnel present. So ordered.

April 12, 2024

Date



Judge John C. Kissinger

Clerk's Notice of Decision
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