**§2961. Bases for jurisdiction over nonresident**

**1. Exercise of jurisdiction.**  In a proceeding to establish or enforce a support order or to determine parentage of a child, a tribunal of this State may exercise personal jurisdiction over a nonresident individual or the individual's guardian or conservator if:

A. The individual is personally served with notice within this State; [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

B. The individual submits to the jurisdiction of this State by consent in a record, by entering a general appearance or by filing a responsive document having the effect of waiving any contest to personal jurisdiction; [PL 2015, c. 186, §6 (AMD).]

C. The individual resided with the child in this State; [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

D. The individual resided in this State and provided prenatal expenses or support for the child; [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

E. The child resides in this State as a result of the acts or directives of the individual; [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

F. The individual engaged in sexual intercourse in this State and the child may have been conceived by that act of intercourse; or [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

G. There is any other basis consistent with the Constitution of Maine and the United States Constitution for the exercise of personal jurisdiction. [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

[PL 2015, c. 186, §6 (AMD).]

**2. Use of bases to establish personal jurisdiction.**  The bases of personal jurisdiction set forth in subsection 1 or in any other law of this State may not be used to acquire personal jurisdiction for a tribunal of this State to modify a child support order of another state unless the requirements of section 3253 are met or, in the case of a foreign support order, unless the requirements of section 3261 are met.

[PL 2009, c. 95, §25 (AMD); PL 2009, c. 95, §87 (AFF).]

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