**§1094-C. Improper contact with alleged murder victim's family or household member**

**1. Improper contact.**  A person is guilty of improper contact with an alleged murder victim's family or household member if:

A. The person is being detained as a result of the person's arrest for the intentional or knowing murder of the alleged victim; [PL 2017, c. 432, Pt. A, §2 (NEW).]

B. A Harnish bail proceeding:

(1) Has not yet taken place;

(2) Has been waived in open court by the person; or

(3) Has taken place and the person's conditional right to bail has been extinguished and bail has been denied by the court; [PL 2017, c. 432, Pt. A, §2 (NEW).]

C. The person:

(1) In the circumstance specified in paragraph B, subparagraph (1) is notified, in writing or otherwise, by the detaining county jail, correctional facility or mental health institute staff not to make direct or indirect contact with any specifically identified family or household member of the alleged victim of the crime for which the person is being detained; or

(2) In the circumstance specified in paragraph B, subparagraph (2) or (3) is notified on the record or in writing by the court not to make direct or indirect contact with any specifically identified family or household member of the alleged victim of the crime for which the person is being detained; and [PL 2017, c. 432, Pt. A, §2 (NEW).]

D. After the notification specified in paragraph C, the person intentionally or knowingly makes direct or indirect contact with the specifically identified family or household member of the alleged victim of the crime for which the person is being detained. [PL 2017, c. 432, Pt. A, §2 (NEW).]

As used in this subsection, "family or household member" has the same meaning as in Title 19‑A, section 4102, subsection 6, paragraphs A to E.

[PL 2021, c. 647, Pt. B, §14 (AMD); PL 2021, c. 647, Pt. B, §65 (AFF).]

**2. Penalty.**  Violation of this section is a Class C crime.

[PL 2017, c. 432, Pt. A, §2 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

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