

IN RE CAMAS M. et al.

Submitted on Briefs December 1, 2010

Decided December 7, 2010

Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and ALEXANDER, SILVER, MEAD, GORMAN, and JABAR, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of Camas M., Balian M., and Ezra R. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Dover-Foxcroft, *Stitham, J.*) terminating her parental rights to the three children pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii) (2009). Contrary to the mother's argument, the court did not adopt the order and findings proposed by the Department of Health and Human Services verbatim; rather, the record indicates that the court made independent findings and reached its own conclusions concerning the statutory standards. *See In re Jon N.*, 2000 ME 123, ¶¶ 5, 6, 754 A.2d 346, 348-49; *In re Allison H.*, 1999 ME 176, ¶ 8, 740 A.2d 997, 999; *In re Sabrina M.*, 460 A.2d 1009, 1013 (Me. 1983). The court's findings are not clearly erroneous because there is ample competent evidence in the record to support them. *See In re Marcus S.*, 2007 ME 24, ¶¶ 6, 7, 916 A.2d 225, 227.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

Attorney for the mother:

John Wm. Martin, Esq.
7 Pleasant St.
P.O. Box 68
Skowhegan, Maine 04976

**Attorneys for the Department of Health
and Human Services:**

Janet T. Mills, Attorney General
Nora Sosnoff, Assist. Atty. Gen.
State House Station 6
Augusta, Maine 04333-0006

Dover-Foxcroft Court docket number PC-2008-12
FOR CLERK REFERENCE ONLY