

IN RE KAITLYNN C. et al.

Submitted on Briefs July 25, 2012

Decided August 7, 2012

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The father of Kaitlynn C. and Dominic C. appeals from the judgment of the District Court (Ellsworth, *Mallonee, J.*) terminating his parental rights pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055 (2011). On appeal, the father contends that the District Court's findings regarding parental unfitness are not supported in the record to the clear and convincing evidence standard because, the father asserts, the Department of Health and Human Services failed to provide him with adequate reunification services and failed to sufficiently pursue a reunification plan for him. With the father's fifteen-year history of substance abuse and failure to complete rehabilitation programs, the evidence in the record was more than sufficient to support, to the clear and convincing evidence standard, the court's findings regarding both parental unfitness and best interests of the children that led to its decision to terminate parental rights. *See In re Robert S.*, 2009 ME 18, ¶ 15, 966 A.2d 894.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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