

IN RE A.E.

Submitted on Briefs July 30, 2014

Decided August 5, 2014

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of A.E. appeals from a judgment entered in the District Court (Skowhegan, *Mullen, J.*) terminating her parental rights to the child pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2) (2013). Contrary to the mother's contention, the court was not precluded from terminating her parental rights in the absence of an agreed-upon rehabilitation and reunification plan filed pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4041 (2013). See *In re Doris G.*, 2006 ME 142, ¶¶ 16-17, 912 A.2d 572; *In re Justin T.*, 640 A.2d 737, 740 (Me. 1994). The court's findings—that the Department of Health and Human Services established, by clear and convincing evidence, at least one ground of parental unfitness and that termination of the mother's rights is in the best interest of the child—are supported by sufficient record evidence. See 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2); *In re M.S.*, 2014 ME 54, ¶ 13, 90 A.3d 443.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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