

IN RE T.Y. et al.

Submitted on Briefs October 27, 2014  
Decided October 30, 2014

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

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother and father of T.Y., J.Y., and A.Y. appeal from an order terminating their parental rights to the children entered by the District Court (Waterville, *Dow, J.*). Contrary to the parents' contentions, there is sufficient evidence to support the court's finding that the parents were unwilling and unable to protect the children from jeopardy or to take responsibility for the children in a time reasonably calculated to meet their needs, and that termination of the parents' parental rights was in the children's best interest. See *In re Justin T.*, 640 A.2d 737, 739 (Me. 1994) (finding that a mother was unable and unwilling to protect her child from jeopardy or to take responsibility for her child within a time reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs when the mother continued to engage in the behaviors that were the primary causes of jeopardy to her children); *In re Elizabeth D.*, 2006 ME 2, ¶ 2, 888 A.2d 281 (finding that a mother was unable to take responsibility for her child within a time reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs and that termination was in the child's best interest when the mother remained incapable of undertaking unsupervised visits during the three years that the child was in the Department's custody); *In re A.H.*, 2013 ME 85, ¶ 18, 77 A.3d 1012 (finding that termination of parental rights was in the child's best interest when her parents were unable to alleviate the causes of jeopardy to her and she had a stable, permanent home with a foster family who was willing to adopt her).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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