

IN RE J.B.

Submitted on Briefs April 29, 2014  
Decided May 1, 2014

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The father of J.B. appeals from a judgment entered in the District Court (Portland, *Goranites, J.*) terminating his parental rights to the child pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2) (2013). Contrary to the father's contentions, the judgment reveals no error of law and there is sufficient competent evidence in the record on which the court could find, by the clear and convincing standard, at least one ground of parental unfitness and that termination of his parental rights is in the best interest of the child. *See In re M.B.*, 2013 ME 46, ¶ 37, 65 A.3d 1260. Furthermore, given the circumstances of this case and the credibility determinations it made, the court did not abuse its discretion in denying the father's motion to continue the termination hearing as it began. *See Pelletier v. Pelletier*, 2012 ME 15, ¶ 13, 36 A.3d 903; *State v. Dube*, 2014 ME 43, ¶ 13, --- A.3d ---; *In re Trever I.*, 2009 ME 59, ¶¶ 26, 28, 973 A.2d 752.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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