

IN RE A.L.

Submitted on Briefs November 19, 2015
Decided December 3, 2015

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The father of A.L. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Caribou, *Soucy, J.*) granting the Department of Health and Human Services' petition to terminate the father's parental rights. Contrary to the father's contention, competent evidence in the record supports the court's determination, by clear and convincing evidence, that the father is neither able to protect the child from jeopardy because of his substance abuse problems nor able to take responsibility for the child due to his own medical issues, and that termination of his rights is in the child's best interest. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2) (2014); *In re L.D.*, 2015 ME 123, ¶¶ 13-15, --- A.3d ---.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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