

IN RE E.P.

Submitted on Briefs July 23, 2015

Decided July 30, 2015

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The father of E.P. appeals from an order of termination of parental rights entered by the District Court (Portland, *Goranites, J.*) pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(A)(1) and (B)(2) (2014). Contrary to the father's contentions, competent evidence in the record supports the court's determination, by clear and convincing evidence, of at least one ground of parental unfitness, *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i)-(ii) (2014); *In re A.H.*, 2013 ME 85, ¶ 14, 77 A.3d 1012, and the court did not err in applying a rebuttable presumption of parental unfitness, *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1-A)(C) (2014); *In re Doris G.*, 2006 ME 142, ¶ 17 n.7, 912 A.2d 572. Further, there was ample evidence in the record to support the court's conclusion, by clear and convincing evidence, that termination of the father's rights is in the child's best interest. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (2014); *In re A.H.*, 2013 ME 85, ¶ 16, 77 A.3d 1012; *In re David W.*, 2010 ME 119, ¶¶ 6, 10, 8 A.3d 673.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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