

IN RE M.B. et al.

Submitted on Briefs September 28, 2015

Decided October 1, 2015

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of M.B. and S.B. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Springvale, *Foster, J.*) terminating her parental rights to the children pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2) (2014). Contrary to the mother's contention, the court did not err or exceed its discretion in admitting and relying on the reports of the children's first guardian ad litem, who did not testify at trial. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4005(1) (2014); *In re Chelsea C.*, 2005 ME 105, ¶¶ 7-16, 884 A.2d 97. The court also did not exceed its discretion in declining to order the disclosure of confidential information regarding an investigation into the children's therapeutic foster home. *See* 22 M.R.S. §§ 4008(3)(A), 7703(2)(B), (4)(A) (2014); *Picher v. Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland*, 2013 ME 99, ¶ 6, 82 A.3d 101 (per curiam). Finally, the record contains sufficient evidence on which the court could find, by clear and convincing evidence, at least one ground of parental unfitness and that termination is in the best interests of the children. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a), (b)(i), (ii); *In re M.S.*, 2014 ME 54, ¶ 13, 90 A.3d 443.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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