

IN RE H.G. et al.

Submitted on Briefs September 28, 2015
Decided October 6, 2015

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of H.G. and N.G. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Biddeford, *Foster, J.*) terminating her parental rights as to both children. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2) (2014). At the termination of parental rights hearing, the mother declined to participate, electing to remain in the court hallway, rather than enter the courtroom. Following the proceeding, she did not stay in contact with counsel.

Pursuant to the procedure approved in *In re M.C.*, 2014 ME 128, 104 A.3d 139, counsel for the mother submitted a brief stating that there are no arguable issues of merit for appeal. After reviewing the judgment and record, there is sufficient evidence in the record to support the trial court's findings, by clear and convincing evidence, of at least one ground of parental unfitness and that termination is in the best interest of the children. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2); *In re M.C.*, 2014 ME 128, ¶ 8, 104 A.3d 139.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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The Department of Health and Human Services did not submit
a brief

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