

IN RE DESTINY W.

Submitted on Briefs October 13, 2016

Decided October 20, 2016

Panel: ALEXANDER, MEAD, GORMAN, JABAR, HJELM, and HUMPHREY, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The father of Destiny W. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Bangor, *Roberts, J.*) terminating his parental rights to the child. Contrary to the father's contention, the record contains sufficient competent record evidence to support the court's findings, by clear and convincing evidence, that the father is "unwilling or unable to protect the child from jeopardy and these circumstances are unlikely to change within a time which is reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs" and that the father "has been unwilling or unable to take responsibility for the child within a time which is reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs," and that termination is in the child's best interest. 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a), (b)(i), (ii) (2015); *see In re C.P.*, 2016 ME 18, ¶ 30, 132 A.3d 174. We also discern no abuse of discretion in the court's best interest determination. *See In re C.P.*, 2016 ME 18, ¶ 30, 132 A.3d 174.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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