

IN RE N.M.

Submitted on Briefs January 28, 2016

Decided February 2, 2016

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of N.M. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Bangor, *Campbell, J.*) terminating her parental rights pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2) (2015). Contrary to the mother's contentions, competent evidence in the record supports the court's determination, by clear and convincing evidence, that termination was in the best interests of the child.

Even though the mother and her son love each other, the record supports the trial court's ultimate determination that, due to the mother's uncontested unfitness, coupled with the child's residence in a loving, stable home with his grandparents for over two years, a change in placement and continued reunification with his mother were not in his best interest. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2); *Adoption of L.E.*, 2012 ME 127, ¶ 16, 56 A.3d 1234; *In re J.I.*, 2015 ME 130, ¶ 5 & n.1, 125 A.3d 357.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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