

IN RE EVAN R.

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Decided October 27, 2016

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The father of Evan R. appeals from a judgment entered in the District Court (Presque Isle, *O'Mara, J.*) terminating his parental rights to the child pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1) (2015). Contrary to the father's contention, the court did not commit clear error or abuse its discretion in finding, by clear and convincing evidence, that termination is in the child's best interest. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a); *In re R.M.*, 2015 ME 38, ¶ 7, 114 A.3d 212; *In re Thomas H.*, 2005 ME 123, ¶¶ 23-30, 889 A.2d 297; *In re Michaela C.*, 2002 ME 159, ¶¶ 27-28, 809 A.2d 1245. In addition, although the father does not challenge the court's findings of parental unfitness, there is sufficient competent evidence in the record to support those findings. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv); *In re K.M.*, 2015 ME 79, ¶ 9, 118 A.3d 812. We therefore affirm the judgment.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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