

IN RE M.A.

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Decided February 2, 2016

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of M.A. 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, of at least one ground of parental unfitness. *See id.* Despite the mother's significant efforts at reunification, the record supports the trial court's finding that she remained unable to alleviate the parenting issues that led to the jeopardy finding, including her inability to implement the necessary skills to safely care for her daughter or meet her basic needs, and that these circumstances are unlikely to change within a time which is reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs. *See In re K.M.*, 2015 ME 79, ¶ 10, 118 A.3d 812.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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