

IN RE CHILD OF NOLAN M.

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Decided March 4, 2021

Panel: GORMAN, JABAR, HUMPHREY, HORTON, and CONNORS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Nolan M. appeals from a judgment entered by the District Court (West Bath, *Raimondi, J.*) terminating his parental rights to his child. Although the Department could have provided more active assistance, the court did not err in finding parental unfitness pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii), (iv) (2020); *In re Child of Lindsay D.*, 2018 ME 87, ¶¶ 2-7, 188 A.3d 180. Nor did the court err or abuse its discretion in determining that, given the child's age and need for permanency after being in foster care since birth, termination of the father's parental rights is in the child's best interest. *In re David W.*, 2010 ME 119, ¶ 10, 8 A.3d 673. We therefore affirm the judgment.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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