

IN RE CHILD OF ANNA M.

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Decided May 27, 2021

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Anna M. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Lewiston, *Oram, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her son. Contrary to the mother's contention, the court did not clearly err in finding that she was unfit as a parent by clear and convincing evidence. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii) (2021); *In re Child of Erica H.*, 2019 ME 66, ¶ 9, 207 A.3d 1197; *In re Olivia F.*, 2019 ME 149, ¶ 5, 217 A.3d 1106. The court also appropriately determined parental unfitness before determining whether termination was in the child's best interest. *See In re Child of Kimberly K.*, 2019 ME 145, ¶ 10, 217 A.3d 63. Lastly, contrary to the mother's contention, her due process rights were not violated. *In re Child of James R.*, 2018 ME 50, ¶ 16, 182 A.3d 1252.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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