

IN RE CHILDREN OF JADA C.

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Decided June 24, 2021

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Jada C. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Lewiston, *Oram, J.*) terminating her parental rights to two of her children. Contrary to the mother's contentions, the record contains sufficient competent evidence to support the court's findings that she is unwilling or unable to protect the children from jeopardy within a time reasonably calculated to meet their needs and unwilling or unable to take responsibility for the children within a time reasonably calculated to meet their needs. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii) (2021); *In re Child of Amber D.*, 2020 ME 30, ¶ 6, 226 A.3d 1157. The court likewise did not abuse its discretion when it determined that termination of the mother's parental rights was in the children's best interests. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (2021); *In re Child of Amber D.*, 2020 ME 30, ¶ 6, 226 A.3d 1157.

Moreover, the District Court did not abuse its discretion when it denied the mother's motion to recuse the trial judge. *See State v. Clark*, 2021 ME 12, ¶ 41, 246 A.3d 1165; *Mathiesen v. Michaud*, 2020 ME 47, ¶¶ 9-10, 229 A.3d 527.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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