

IN RE CHILDREN OF KYMBER C.

Submitted on Briefs January 26, 2022

Decided February 3, 2022

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother appeals from a judgment entered by the District Court (Skowhegan, *Benson, J.*) terminating her parental rights to two of her children. Contrary to the mother's contention, the record contains sufficient evidence to support the court's findings that the mother is unwilling or unable to protect the children from jeopardy and that those circumstances are unlikely to change within a time which is reasonably calculated to meet the needs of the children, is unwilling or unable to take responsibility for the children within a time reasonably calculated to meet the needs of the children, and has failed to make a good faith effort to rehabilitate and reunify with the children. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii), (iv) (2022); *In re Olivia F.*, 2019 ME 149, ¶ 5, 217 A.3d 1106. Additionally, the court did not abuse its discretion in its ultimate conclusion that the termination of the mother's rights was in the children's best interest, as this conclusion was supported by competent evidence. 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (2022); *In re Bentlee G.*, 2017 ME 238, ¶ 3, 176 A.3d 724.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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