

IN RE CHILD OF FELICIA K.

Submitted on Briefs September 27, 2023

Decided October 5, 2023

Panel: STANFILL, C.J., and MEAD, JABAR, CONNORS, LAWRENCE, and DOUGLAS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Felicia K. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Portland, *Powers, A.R.J.*) terminating her parental rights to her child. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(A)-(B)(2)(b) (2023). She did not raise any arguments on appeal.¹ Nevertheless, we reviewed the trial court order and the record and conclude that the court did not err in finding the mother unfit or abuse its discretion in determining that termination of her parental rights is in the child's best interest. *See In re Children of Jason C.*, 2020 ME 86, ¶ 7, 236 A.3d 438. Competent evidence in the record supports the trial court's finding that the mother is unfit under all four statutory bases. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i)-(iv); *In re Child of Nichole W.*, 2019 ME 167, ¶¶ 2-6, 221 A.3d 560. The record further supports that the child's need for permanency is served by termination of the mother's parental rights. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a); *In re Children of Jason C.*, 2020 ME 86, ¶ 11, 236 A.3d 438.

¹ The mother's counsel filed a brief including a procedural history, statement of facts, and statement that he did not believe there were any arguable issues to address on appeal. *See In re M.C.*, 2014 ME 128, ¶ 7, 104 A.3d 139. The mother was allowed time to file a supplemental brief but did not.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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With leave of the Court, the Department of Health and Human Services did not file a brief

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