

IN RE CHILD OF JAIME M.

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Decided November 7, 2023

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Jaime M. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Lewiston, *Ham-Thompson, J.*) terminating her parental rights. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(A)(1)(a), (B)(2)(a), (b)(i)-(iv) (2023). Contrary to the mother's contention, the court did not err or abuse its discretion in determining that the child's best interests are served by termination of the mother's parental rights.¹ *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a); *In re R.M.*, 2015 ME 38, ¶ 7, 114 A.3d 212; *In re Child of Olivia F.*, 2019 ME 149, ¶ 5, 217 A.3d 1106. Nor did the court violate the mother's due process rights or her right to counsel by holding the hearing via Zoom. *See In re Anthony R.*, 2010 ME 4, ¶ 8, 987 A.2d 532; *In re A.M.*, 2012 ME 118, ¶¶ 15-16, 55 A.3d 463.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

¹ Although Jaime M. does not challenge the sufficiency of the evidence of unfitness, we have reviewed the record and there is competent evidence to support a finding of parental unfitness. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i)-(iv); *In re Child of Megan D.*, 2019 ME 52, ¶¶ 6-7, 206 A.3d 899.

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