

IN RE CHILDREN OF AMANDA R.

Submitted on Briefs February 21, 2024  
Decided February 29, 2024

Panel: MEAD, HORTON, CONNORS, LAWRENCE, and DOUGLAS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Amanda R. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Wiscasset, *Martin, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her children. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(A)(1)(a), (B)(2)(a), (b)(i)-(iv) (2023). The mother challenges the sufficiency of the evidence, primarily arguing that the court's finding of parental unfitness is not supported by the record. Contrary to the mother's contentions, there is competent evidence in the record to support the court's finding of parental fitness by clear and convincing evidence. *See In re Children of Jason C.*, 2020 ME 86, ¶ 7, 236 A.3d 438. Furthermore, the court did not err or abuse its discretion in determining that termination of her parental rights is in the children's best interests. *See In re Child of Carl D.*, 2019 ME 67, ¶¶ 8-9, 207 A.3d 1202.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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