IN RE CHILD OF NICOLE R.

Submitted on Briefs March 18, 2025 Decided March 25, 2025

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Nicole R. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Augusta, *Mitchell, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her child.¹ We discern no error in the court's termination of the mother's parental rights because there is sufficient evidence in the record to support the court's parental unfitness and best interests determinations, and the court did not abuse its discretion in determining that termination of the mother's parental rights was in the child's best interest. *See, e.g., In re Child of Raul R.*, 2019 ME 94, ¶¶ 3-4, 209 A.3d 757; 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a), (b)(i)-(ii) (2024).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

¹ The mother's counsel filed an appellate brief containing the case's facts, a procedural history, and a statement that she did not believe that there were any issues of merit on appeal and moved for an enlargement of time to allow the mother to file a supplemental brief. *See <u>In re M.C.</u>*, 2014 ME 128, ¶¶ 7-8, 104 A.3d 139. We authorized the mother to submit a brief, but no supplemental brief was filed.

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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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