

IN RE JAMIN J. et al.

Submitted on Briefs September 25, 2003
Decided October 30, 2003

Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and CLIFFORD, RUDMAN, DANA, ALEXANDER,
and CALKINS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of Jamin J., Jaliq P., Isaiah P., and Eddaejia D., and the father of Jamin J. appeal from judgments of the District Court (Lewiston, *Beliveau, J.*) terminating their parental rights to their children. Contrary to the contentions of the mother, the court acted within its discretion in excluding evidence relating to post-termination of parental rights adoption statistics. *See In re Kayla M.*, 2001 ME 166, ¶ 8, 785 A.2d 330, 333 (stating that inquiry in determination of termination of parental rights is child specific); 22 M.R.S.A. § 4055 (1992 & Supp. 2002).

Contrary to the contentions of the father, there is sufficient evidence in the record to support the court's findings by clear and convincing evidence that he is unwilling or unable to protect Jamin from jeopardy, and those circumstances are

unlikely to change within a time reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs, 22 M.R.S.A. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i) (1992); the father is unwilling or unable to take responsibility for Jamin within a time reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs, 22 M.R.S.A. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(ii) (1992); the child has been abandoned, 22 M.R.S.A. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(iii) (1992); and that termination is in the best interest of Jamin, 22 M.R.S.A. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (1992).

The entry is:

Judgments affirmed.

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