

IN RE JACOB T. et al.

Submitted on Briefs September 27, 2007
Decided October 30, 2007

Panel: SAUFLEY, C.J., and CLIFFORD, ALEXANDER, LEVY, SILVER and
MEAD, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of Jacob T. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Lewiston, *Lawrence, J.*) terminating her parental rights pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2) (2006). Contrary to the mother's contentions: (1) the court properly reconsidered and amended its original judgment to add the requisite finding that termination of parental rights was in the best interests of the child, *see In re Amanda H.*, 2007 ME 43, ¶ 4, 917 A.2d 1120, 1121; (2) no prejudice is demonstrated by placement of the best interests finding, being in the amended order, it evidently followed the parental unfitness findings in the court's consideration, *see In re Scott S.*, 2001 ME 114, ¶ 19, 775 A.2d 1144, 1150-51; (3) the court's rulings regarding the order of presentation of evidence, number of

witnesses, and time allotted for presentations and questioning did not exceed the range of the court's discretion in management of the proceedings, *see Dolliver v. Dolliver*, 2001 ME 144, ¶ 10, 782 A.2d 316, 318; (4) no error is demonstrated in admission of an evaluation report prepared by a doctor, pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4007(3-A) (2006), nor is any due process violation demonstrated when the doctor was available for cross-examination; and (5) review of the entire record demonstrates that the trial court rationally could have found that parental unfitness and the best interests of the child support termination by clear and convincing evidence, *In re Marcus S.*, 2007 ME 24, ¶ 6, 916 A.2d 225, 227.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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