

IN RE LAYLA Y.

Submitted on Briefs April 30, 2009
Decided May 28, 2009

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother appeals from an order of the District Court (Skowhegan, *MacMichael, J.*) terminating her parental rights to Layla Y. pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i) and (ii) (2008).

Contrary to the mother's contention, the court rationally could have found by clear and convincing evidence that she was unwilling or unable to protect her child from jeopardy, and unwilling or unable to take responsibility for the child in a time frame reasonably calculated to meet the child's needs. *See In re Thomas D.*, 2004 ME 104, ¶ 21, 854 A.2d 195, 201. In addition, the court rationally could have found that termination was in the child's best interest by clear and convincing evidence in the record, and did not abuse its discretion by so deciding. *See In re Thomas H.*, 2005 ME 123, ¶¶ 16-17, 889 A.2d 297, 301-02.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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