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#### IN RE ZACHARIAH K. et al.

### Submitted on Briefs September 23, 2010 Decided October 5, 2010

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

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother and the father of Zachariah and Tiras K. appeal from a judgment of the District Court (Portland, *Beaudoin, J.*) terminating their parental rights pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055 (2009). Contrary to the parents' contentions, the court rationally could have found clear and convincing evidence to support the necessary factual findings that: (1) both parents are unwilling or unable to protect their children from jeopardy and these circumstances are unlikely to change within a time reasonably calculated to meet the children's needs; (2) both parents are unwilling or unable to take responsibility for the children within a time reasonably calculated to meets; (3) both parents have failed to make a good faith effort to rehabilitate and reunify with the children; and (4) termination of the rights of both parents is in the best interest of the children. *See* 22 M.R.S § 4055(1)(B)(2); *In re Cody T.*, 2009 ME 95, ¶ 2, 979 A.2d 81, 82. In addition, the court adequately linked parental unfitness with the consequent harm to the children. *See In re Jazmine L.*, 2004 ME 125, ¶ 15, 861 A.2d 1277, 1281.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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