

IN RE ANGEL S. et al.

Submitted on Briefs April 29, 2010  
Decided May 4, 2010

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

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother and father appeal from a judgment entered in the District Court (Lewiston, *Beliveau, J.*) terminating their parental rights to their children pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055 (2009). Contrary to the father's contention, the court did not err in its consideration of parental unfitness and the best interest of the children, *see In re Michaela C.*, 2002 ME 159, ¶ 17, 809 A.2d 1245, 1250; 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2); and contrary to both parents' contentions, the trial 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, *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i); (2) both parents are unwilling or unable to take responsibility for the children within a time reasonably calculated to meet the children's needs, *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(ii); (3) both parents have failed to make a good faith effort to rehabilitate and reunify with the children pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4041 (2009), *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(iv); 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)(a); *In re Cody T.*, 2009 ME 95, ¶ 2, 979 A.2d 81, 82.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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