

IN RE CHILD OF ANNAMARIE D.

Submitted on Briefs April 19, 2022
Decided April 26, 2022

Panel: MEAD, HUMPHREY, HORTON, and CONNORS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

AnnaMarie D. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Waterville, *Gilbert, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her child pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(A)(1)(a), (B)(2)(a), (b)(i)-(ii) (2022).¹ Contrary to the mother's contention, on this record the court did not err in finding at least one statutory ground of parental unfitness by clear and convincing evidence, notwithstanding its finding that the Department of Health and Human Services failed to perform its obligations under the reunification plan. *See In re Child of Amelia C.*, 2020 ME 28, ¶¶ 5, 8, 227 A.3d 156. Furthermore, the court's finding that termination was in the child's best interest was not an abuse of the court's discretion. *See In re Child of Kimberly K.*, 2019 ME 145, ¶ 6, 217 A.3d 63.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

¹ The father consented to the termination of his parental rights and is not a party to this appeal.

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