

IN RE CHILDREN OF STEPHANIE T.

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Decided November 7, 2024

Panel: STANFILL, C.J., and MEAD, HORTON, CONNORS, and DOUGLAS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Fort Kent, *Linthicum, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her two children. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a), (b) (2024). Contrary to the mother's contentions, the court did not clearly err in finding, by clear and convincing evidence, the mother unfit on at least one statutory ground, nor did the court abuse its discretion when it denied the mother's motion to continue the termination hearing.¹ *See id.; In re Children of Jason C.*, 2020 ME 86, ¶ 7, 236 A.3d 438; *Adoption by Jessica M.*, 2020 ME 118, ¶¶ 8-12, 239 A.3d 633.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

¹ Although the issue of the children's best interest was not challenged on appeal, we also find that the court did not clearly err or abuse its discretion in determining that termination of the mother's parental rights was in the best interests of these children. *See In re Children of Destiny H.*, 2024 ME 66, ¶ 16, --- A.3d ---; 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (2024).

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