Reporter of Decisions Decision No. Mem-00-56 Docket No. And-99-470 & And-99-479

IN RE DOROTHY H. et al.

Submitted on Briefs April 14, 2000 Decided April 18, 2000

Panel: WATHEN, C.J., and CLIFFORD, RUDMAN, DANA, SAUFLEY, ALEXANDER, and CALKINS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother of Dorothy H. and Thomas H. appeals from a judgment entered in the District Court (Lewiston, Gorman, J.) terminating her parental rights to both children. Contrary to the mother's contentions, her own admission that she is not willing or able to protect her children from jeopardy and that she does not seek anything but occasional contact with them does not render "irrelevant" or erroneous the trial court's finding that: (1) she is unwilling and unable to protect her children from jeopardy and that those circumstances are not likely to change within a time reasonably calculated to meet the children's needs, see 22 M.R.S.A. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i) (1992); and (2) that she is unwilling or unable to take reasonability for the children within a time reasonably calculated to meet the children's needs. see 22 M.R.S.A. Ş 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(ii) Additionally, the record demonstrates ample support for the court's finding

that termination is in the best interests of the children. See 22 M.R.S.A. \$\$ 4055(1)(B)(2)(a) (1992).

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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