MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
WESTERN DISTRICT

IN THE INTERST OF: L.L. & L.L, JUVENILES; JUVENILE OFFICER,
RESPONDENT

vs.

D.L.,
APPELLANT

DOCKET NUMBER WD83257 (Consolidated with WD83258)

DATE: AUGUST 18, 2020

Appeal from:

The Circuit Court of Boone County, Missouri
The Honorable Leslie M. Schneider, Judge

Appellate Judges:

Division One: Thomas H. Newton, Presiding Judge, Mark D. Pfeiffer, Judge and Edward R. Ardini, Jr., Judge

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY

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The Circuit Court of Boone County found that Appellant's grandchildren were without proper care, custody, or support based on allegations of drug use by the children's mother. The circuit court placed the children in the temporary custody and supervision of the Children's Division. Approximately two years later, Appellant filed motions to intervene in the children's juvenile cases. After hearing argument on the motions, the circuit court denied Appellant's requests to intervene. Appellant appealed.

DISMISSED.

Division One holds:

There is no statutory authority for Appellant's immediate appeal of the denial of her motions to intervene. Section 512.020(5), RSMo, which Appellant relies upon as the authority for her appeal, does not permit the immediate appeal of an interlocutory order denying intervention. An appeal that lacks statutory authority is beyond the jurisdiction of this Court to hear and must be dismissed.

Opinion by: Edward R. Ardini, Jr., Judge Date: August 18, 2020

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