

## OPINION SUMMARY

### MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS EASTERN DISTRICT

#### DIVISION THREE

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| IN THE INTEREST OF: Z.M., | ) | No. ED98746                   |
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| Juvenile.                 | ) | Appeal from the Circuit Court |
|                           | ) | of the City of St. Louis      |
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|                           | ) | Honorable Jimmie M. Edwards   |
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Appellant, L.N.W. ("Father"), appeals from the trial court's judgment terminating his parental rights to his child, Z.M. Father alleges the trial court erred in terminating his parental rights to Z.M. because the trial court did not comply with Section 211.455, which requires that all ordered evaluations and reports be made available to the parties at least 15 days prior to any dispositional hearing.

REVERSED AND REMANDED

Division Three Holds: The trial court failed to comply with the mandatory requirements of Section 211.455, in that the Termination of Parental Rights Investigation and Social Study were not made available to Father at least 15 days prior to the hearing.

Opinion by: Roy L. Richter, J.  
Robert G. Dowd, Jr., P.J., and Angela T. Quigless, J., concur.

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