NON-PRECEDENTIAL DECISION - SEE SUPERIOR COURT I.O.P. 65.37

IN RE: J.C.W., JR., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

PENNSYLVANIA

APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 868 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018 In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County Orphans' Court at No(s): CP-05-DP-0000022-2016

IN RE: J.C.W., JR., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

PENNSYLVANIA

APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 869 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018 In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County Orphans' Court at No(s): CP-05-DP-0000022-2016, No. 10 Adoption 2017

IN RE: S.J.W., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

PENNSYLVANIA

APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 870 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018
In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County
Orphans' Court at No(s): 9 Adoption 2017

IN RE: S.J.W., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

PENNSYLVANIA

APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 871 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018 In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County Orphans' Court at No(s): DP-23 for the year 2016

IN RE: C.J.W., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

PENNSYLVANIA

APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 872 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018 In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County Orphans' Court at No(s): No. DP-24 for the year 2016

IN RE: C.J.W., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

PENNSYLVANIA

APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 873 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018 In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County Orphans' Court at No(s): 12 Adoption 2017

IN RE: D.E.W., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

PENNSYLVANIA

APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 874 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018
In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County
Orphans' Court at No(s): DP- 25 - 2016

IN RE: D.E.W., A MINOR : IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF

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APPEAL OF: J.C.W., NATURAL

FATHER

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No. 875 WDA 2018

Appeal from the Order Dated May 14, 2018 In the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford County Orphans' Court at No(s): 11 Adoption 2017

BEFORE: OTT, J., MURRAY, J., and STEVENS*, P.J.E.

CONCURRING STATEMENT BY OTT, J.: FILED DECEMBER 12, 2018

I agree with the decision of the Majority to affirm the goal change orders and orders terminating the parental rights of Father to C.J.W. and D.E.W. **See** Appeal Nos. 872 and 873 WDA 2018, and 874 and 875 WDA 2018, respectively.

However, I write separately to express my disagreement with this Court's opinion in *In Re K.J.H.*, 180 A.3d 411 (Pa. Super. 2018), followed by the Majority, to address *sua sponte* the issue of whether counsel has a conflict

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between the legal interests and the best interests of J.C.W., Jr., and S.J.W., when the issue was not raised on appeal by Father. Nevertheless, I acknowledge that this panel is bound by that opinion. *See State Farm Fire* & Cas. Co. v. Craley, 844 A.2d 573, 575 (Pa. Super. 2004) (stating we are bound by decisions of other panels of this Court until an *en banc* panel of this Court, the legislature, or the Supreme Court decides otherwise.). Hence, I concur in the decision of the Majority to vacate the goal change orders and orders terminating the parental rights of Father to J.C.W., Jr., and S.J.W. *See* Appeal Nos. 868 and 869 WDA 2018, and 871 and 872 WDA 2018, respectively.