

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**COURT OF APPEALS**

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In the Matter of JASHA LOVE SMITH, JASIAH  
JATHAN SMITH, and EXZAVION JAHSON  
SMITH, Minors.

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

PATRICIA ANN SMITH,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

WILLIE AMOS WEST,

Respondent.

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No. 195789

Kalamazoo Probate Court

LC No. 00-012474-NA

Before: Corrigan, C.J., and Young and Michael J. Talbot,\* JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from the May 17, 1996 order of the probate court terminating her parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (c)(ii) and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i), (c)(ii) and (g). We affirm.

The probate court made sufficient findings of fact and conclusions of law pertaining to the basis for terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights. MCR 5.974(G), see also *In re Cotton*, 208 Mich App 180, 183; 526 NW2d 601 (1994); *People v Armstrong*, 175 Mich App 181, 184; 437 NW2d 343 (1989). We are not persuaded that further fact findings are necessary to determine if the probate court clearly erred in finding at least one statutory ground for termination or to review the

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\* Circuit judge, sitting on the Court of Appeals by assignment.

probate court's ultimate decision to order termination. See *In re Jackson*, 199 Mich App 22, 25; 501 NW2d 182 (1993); MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5). At best, the probate court's decision is unclear with regard to whether it applied the standards for MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(ii); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(ii) in finding the statutory grounds for termination. However, any error was harmless because §§ (3)(c)(i) and (3)(g) provide independent grounds for termination. See *In re Powers*, 208 Mich App 582, 590-591; 528 NW2d 799 (1995); *In re Toler*, 193 Mich App 474, 478; 484 NW2d 672 (1992). Respondent-appellant has not established any basis for vacating the termination order or obtaining other relief.

Affirmed.

/s/ Maura D. Corrigan  
/s/ Robert P. Young, Jr.  
/s/ Michael J. Talbot