

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

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In the Matter of JAMES A. MARSH, Minor

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

JAMES MARSH, JR.,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

SUSAN D. WATKINS,

Respondent.

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

SUSAN D. WATKINS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

JAMES MARSH, JR.,

Respondent.

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No. 195319

Wayne Juvenile Court

LC No. 93-307189

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

Before: O'Connell, P.J., and White and C. F. Youngblood\*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

In these separate but consolidated appeals as of right, respondents challenge the juvenile court order that terminated their parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(b)(i), (b)(ii), (c)(i), (g), and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(b)(i), (b)(ii), (c)(i), (g) and (j). We affirm.

The juvenile court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, respondents failed to show that termination of their parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interest. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; \_\_\_ NW2d \_\_\_ (1997). Hence, the juvenile court did not clearly err in terminating respondents' parental rights to the child.

Affirmed.

/s/ Peter D. O'Connell

/s/ Helene N. White

/s/ Carole F. Youngblood