

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

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In the Matter of LEWIS JOHNSON and HENRY PAYNES,  
Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

LEWIS WEST, JR.,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

TAMARA JOHNSON,

Respondent.

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November 25, 1997

No. 201679  
Wayne Juvenile Court  
LC No. 89-281612

Before: Jansen, P.J., and Fitzgerald and Young, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from the juvenile court order terminating his parental rights to the minor child, Lewis Johnson, under MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii), (c)(i), (g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(a)(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, respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of his parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interests. *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, the juvenile court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the child. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5).

Affirmed.

/s/ Robert P. Young, Jr.

/s/ Kathleen Jansen

/s/ E. Thomas Fitzgerald