

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of PAUL EUGENE HANSON, a/k/a PAUL
MELSON, Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

STORMY J. MELSON,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

BILLY MELSON,

Respondent.

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No. 203223
Van Buren Juvenile Court
LC No. 96-010666

Before: McDonald, P.J., and Wahls and J. R. Weber*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from the juvenile court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g). We affirm.

The juvenile court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory ground for termination was 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 her 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). In addition, the referee did not err in denying respondent-appellant's petition to remove the child's foster care worker from the case because respondent-appellant did not seek removal of the case worker until the permanency planning hearing.

Affirmed.

/s/ Gary R. McDonald
/s/ Myron H. Wahls
/s/ John R. Weber

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