

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of LESLIE NICOLE GIVENS,
DIMONA H. GIVENS, and JOEL DERRICK
GIVENS, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

WANDA SUE GIVENS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

BOBBY TATE, TOMMY PRATER and WILLIAM
GLENN,

Respondents.

Before: Neff, P.J., and White and D. A. Teeple*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent mother appeals as of right from a juvenile court order terminating her parental rights to her three children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j). We affirm.

The trial court did not clearly err in terminating respondent mother's parental rights. *In re Hamlet (After Remand)*, 225 Mich App 505, 515; 571 NW2d 750 (1997); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 471-474; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). On this record, respondent mother failed to

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

demonstrate that termination is clearly not in the best interests of the children, particularly where the children have been the temporary wards of the court for four years, where respondent mother refuses to acknowledge her mental illness and accept appropriate pharmaceutical treatment, and where respondent mother is incapable of taking care of her own needs, as reflected by the appointment of the guardian for her. *In re Hall-Smith, supra.*

Affirmed.

/s/ Janet T. Neff

/s/ Helene N. White

/s/ Donald A. Teeple