

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of KRISTOPHER HADER, Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

KENNETH E. HADER,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

DONNA JEAN ALVORD,

Respondent.

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No. 204888
Sanilac Juvenile Court
LC No. 95-032515 NA

Before: Wahls, P.J., and Jansen and Gage, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from a juvenile court order terminating his parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j); MSA 27.3178 (598.19b)(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j). We affirm. This case is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

The juvenile court did not clearly err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). The statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence and respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of his parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interests. *Id.*; MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5). Further, the juvenile court did not abuse its discretion in denying respondent-appellant's request for substitute counsel. *In re Conley*, 216 Mich App 41, 45; 549 NW2d 353 (1996).

Affirmed.

/s/ Myron H. Wahls
/s/ Kathleen Jansen
/s/ Hilda R. Gage