

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

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In the Matter of VIOLET BOYNE, Minor.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

BETTY LOUANN HILTS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

STEVE GORMAN,

Respondent.

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September 18, 1998

No. 209114

Mecosta Juvenile Court

LC No. 96-003076

Before: Hood, P.J., and Griffin and O'Connell, 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) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b) (3)(g) and (j). We affirm.

The record indicates that petitioner made a substantial effort to preserve the existence of the family unit. *In re Jacobs*, 433 Mich 24, 37-38; 444 NW2d 789 (1989).

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 her parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178 (598.19b)(5); *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. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ Harold Hood

/s/ Richard Allen Griffin

/s/ Peter D. O'Connell