

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of KRISTAL MARIE SZERLAG and
IRENE ALMA SZERLAG, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

JOHN JACQUES SZERLAG,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

ANNETTE MARIE SZERLAG and NORMAN
DEMOTT,

Respondents.

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April 23, 1999

No. 208023

Wayne Juvenile Court

LC No. 86-257253

Before: Gage, P.J., and Gribbs and Hoekstra, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from a juvenile court order terminating his parental rights to the minor children 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 finding that §§ 19b(3)(g) and (j) were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I), *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of his parental rights was clearly not in the children'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 children. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ Hilda R. Gage
/s/ Roman S. Gibbs
/s/ Joel P. Hoekstra