

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of GEOMIRIA T. SMITHERMAN,
Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

MARY LOUISE BARTLETT,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

GEORGE SMITHERMAN,

Respondent.

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No. 217068

Wayne Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 91-293022

Before: Whitbeck, P.J., and Gribbs and White, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent appeals by delayed leave granted from the family court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(g), (i) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g), (i) and (j). We affirm.

The family 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 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 family court did not err in terminating respondent's parental rights to the child. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ William C. Whitbeck

/s/ Roman S. Gibbs

/s/ Helene N. White