STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of EDWARD DESHOUN GROSE, JR., Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

JULIE KAREN DUNSKY,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

EDWARD GROSE,

Respondent.

Before: Hoekstra, P.J., and Holbrook, Jr., and Zahra, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-mother appeals as of right from the family court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii), (c)(i), and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(a)(ii), (c)(i), and (g). We affirm.

After reviewing the record, we believe that 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; *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). The record clearly establishes that respondent-mother failed to attempt to contact this now five year old child for months, even years, at a time. MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(a)(ii). The record also establishes that respondent-mother failed to take any steps toward remedying the circumstances that justified the assumption of jurisdiction by the trial court, or that there is any reasonable expectation that the

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No. 222568 Wayne Circuit Court Family Division LC No. 98-371781 conditions will be remedied within a reasonable time. MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i). Indeed, a parent-agency agreement was never presented to respondent-mother because she could not be located. We also see no evidence that respondent-mother will be able to provide proper care and custody for the child within a reasonable time. MCL 712A.19b(3)(g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g). Finally, we conclude that the evidence established that termination was clearly in the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Boursaw*, 239 Mich App 161, 180; 607 NW2d 408 (2000). Thus, we conclude that the family court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the child. *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997).

Affirmed.

/s/ Joel P. Hoekstra /s/ Donald E. Holbrook, Jr. /s/ Brian K. Zahra