

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of BENJAMIN ALLEN SOWA,
ALEXANDER SNYDER, CHRISTINA MARIE
SNYDER, FELICIA DAWN SNYDER, GREGORY
SNYDER and HEATHER LEEANN SNYDER,
Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

DORSEY SNYDER,

Respondents-Appellant,

and

MELISSA SOWA,

Respondent.

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Before: Jansen, P.J., and Hood and Saad, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

In these consolidated appeals, respondents appeal as of right from the family court order terminating their parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g) 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; *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, respondents failed to show that termination of their 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 family court did not err in terminating respondents' parental rights to the children. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ Kathleen Jansen
/s/ Harold Hood
/s/ Henry William Saad