

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of GEORGE ANTHONY SPINKS,
a/k/a ANTHONY GEORGE SPINKS, Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

PATRICIA ANN LYONS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

MARK ANTHONY SPINKS,

Respondent.

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No. 219326
Wayne Circuit Court
Family Division
LC No. 98-371371

Before: Griffin, P.J., and Cavanagh and Gage, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from the family 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 family court properly found by a preponderance of the evidence that there were grounds for jurisdiction over the minor child. *In re Middleton*, 198 Mich App 197; 497 NW2d 214 (1993). The family court also 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, the evidence did not establish that termination of respondent-appellant's parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Thus, the family court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the child. *Id.*

Although respondent-appellant also asserts she was not properly served with notice of the termination proceedings, she failed to raise this issue in her statement of questions presented. *Hilliard v Schmidt*, 231 Mich App 316, 318; 586 NW2d 263 (1998). Further, respondent-appellant does not cite any authority, or present any comprehensible argument, in support of her claim. A party may not merely announce a position and leave it to this Court to discover and rationalize the basis for the claim. *In re Toler*, 193 Mich App 474, 477; 484 NW2d 672 (1992). Accordingly, review of this issue is inappropriate.

Affirmed.

/s/ Richard Allen Griffin

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh

/s/ Hilda R. Gage