

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of MAURICE D'MITRE WALKER,
GREGORY OTIS BANKS, ALEC LEE BANKS,
and MATTHEW BANKS, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

DENISE WALKER,

Respondent-Appellant.

and

GREGORY BANKS SR. and GREGORY
JACKSON,

Respondents.

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May 22, 2001

No. 229184
Wayne Circuit Court
Family Division
LC No. 98-372449

Before: White, P.J., and Cavanagh and Talbot, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant (hereinafter respondent) appeals as of right from the family court order terminating her parental rights to the minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i); (3)(g), and (3)(j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(ii), (3)(g), and (3)(j). We affirm.

Respondent failed to substantially comply with the treatment plan and work toward reunification with her children. At the time the children were placed in foster care, respondent was homeless and living in a shelter with them. Respondent has failed to obtain and maintain suitable housing for herself and her children. Additionally, respondent has shown an inability to control and supervise her children, which has resulted in harm to them. Respondent did not actively interact with her children during visitation. Nor did respondent comply with aspects of the treatment plan which required her to obtain and maintain legal income and seek psychological counseling.

We conclude that the family court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory bases for termination of respondent's parental rights were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Further, the evidence did not show that termination of respondent's parental rights was contrary to the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *Trejo, supra* at 356-357.

Affirmed.

/s/ Helene N. White

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh

/s/ Michael J. Talbot