

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of J.H., Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

SANDRA HILL,

Respondent-Appellant.

UNPUBLISHED

September 28, 2001

No. 227091

Oakland Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 95-060199-NA

Before: Cavanagh, P.J., and Markey and Cooper, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent appeals as of right the order terminating her parental rights to the minor pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j). We affirm.

Respondent argues that terminating her parental rights is contrary to the child's best interests. Once a statutory basis for termination is established, the court must order termination of parental rights unless it finds from evidence on the record that termination is clearly not in the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 353; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). This Court reviews the best interests decision for clear error. *Id.* at 356-357. Here, respondent pleaded no contest to allegations that statutory grounds for termination existed. After careful review of the evidence, we conclude that the court's finding regarding the child's best interests was not clearly erroneous.

Affirmed.

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh

/s/ Jane E. Markey

/s/ Jessica R. Cooper