

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COURT OF APPEALS

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In the Matter of QDJ and DMJ, Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

V

SHENNETT ETHEL JONES,

Respondent-Appellant.

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No. 233561

Wayne Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 92-297851

Before: Hood, P.J., and Murphy and Markey, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals by right the trial court's order terminating her parental rights to the minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g), and (j). We affirm.

The court's factual findings were supported by the evidence and, thus, were not clearly erroneous. *In re Vasquez*, 199 Mich App 44, 51; 501 NW2d 231 (1993); see, also, MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, the trial court did not clearly err in finding that at least one statutory ground was established by clear and convincing evidence. *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 350, 352, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). The evidence in this case revealed that the children needed permanence and that although appellant did make some progress during the proceedings in this matter, she failed to demonstrate sufficient progress to show that she could provide a drug-free and stable environment for the children for any lengthy amount of time. For example, appellant completed an inpatient drug program, but relapsed afterwards and failed to attend aftercare treatment. Her lack of concern for the children also was demonstrated by her lack of consistent visitation with the children while they were in foster care. Further, because at least one ground for termination was established, the court was required to terminate appellant's parental rights unless the court found that that termination was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, *supra* at 354, 364-

365. The trial court's finding regarding the children's best interests was not clearly erroneous. *Trejo, supra*. The court did not err in terminating appellant's parental rights to the children.

We affirm.

/s/ Harold Hood  
/s/ William B. Murphy  
/s/ Jane E. Markey