

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of CHRISTOPHER KYLE COX and
HOLLY KAYLYNN LEEANN COX, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

DANIEL ALLEN COX,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

ANGELA PAULINE SPARKS,

Respondent.

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No. 233505

Wayne Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 99-377355

Before: Gage, P.J., and Griffin and Buth*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right the trial court order terminating her parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g), and (j). We affirm. This case is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

First, respondent-appellant argues that termination of his parental rights was not supported by clear and convincing evidence. This Court reviews for clear error the trial court's determination that statutory grounds for terminating parental rights were proven by clear and convincing evidence and its decision regarding the child's best interests. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). The trial court did not clearly err in finding that grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. Furthermore, considered in its entirety, the evidence did not show that termination was clearly not in the children's best interests.

Respondent-father's remaining claims were not properly preserved for this Court's review and, therefore, we need not address them. Nevertheless, the trial court's jurisdictional findings were not erroneous merely because specific allegations were not made against respondent-father. Jurisdiction may be properly acquired when only one parent is alleged to be neglectful. See *In re Mayfield*, 198 Mich App 226, 234-235; 497 NW2d 578 (1993). Furthermore, this Court is unable to conclude that respondent-father was denied due process during the termination proceedings or that the trial court improperly admitted evidence.

Affirmed.

/s/ Hilda R. Gage
/s/ Richard Allen Griffin
/s/ George S. Buth