STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of S.C.G., Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

TINA M. HUNT,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

SYDNEY GASKILL,

Respondent-Not Participating.

Before: Cavanagh, P.J., and Murphy and Smolenski, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right the trial court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(g), (i) and (j). We affirm. This appeal is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E)(1)(b).

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. See MCR 3.977(J); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, the evidence did not show that termination of respondent-appellant's parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interests. See MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo Minors*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000).

The evidence clearly demonstrated that respondent-appellant intended to continue in her relationship with Gaskill, even though Gaskill had been convicted of second-degree criminal sexual conduct for the sexual abuse of her older daughter. There was also clear and convincing evidence demonstrating that there was no reasonable likelihood that respondent-appellant would

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No. 251955 Jackson Circuit Court Family Division LC No. 99-093411-NA learn to accept Gaskill's guilt and sever her relationship with him within a reasonable time considering the age of the child.

Affirmed.

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh /s/ William B. Murphy /s/ Michael R. Smolenski