## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of TERRY HUTTON COLVIN, Minor. **UNPUBLISHED** DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, December 6, 2007 Petitioner-Appellee, No. 277930 v Isabella Circuit Court **Family Division** MARK WILLIAM FOREMAN, LC No. 06-000029-NA Respondent-Appellant, and JACQUELINE SUE MORRIS, Respondent. In the Matter of TERRY HUTTON COLVIN, Minor. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, Petitioner-Appellee, No. 277931 V Isabella Circuit Court **Family Division** JACQUELINE SUE MORRIS, LC No. 06-000029-NA Respondent-Appellant, and

MARK WILLIAM FOREMAN,

Respondent.

Before: Schuette, P.J., and Borrello and Gleicher, JJ.

## MEMORANDUM.

In these consolidated appeals, respondents appeal as of right a circuit court order terminating their parental rights pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(g), (l), and (m). We affirm. We are deciding these appeals without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

Respondents are the parents of Terry Hutton Colvin. In 2001, a circuit court terminated respondent father's parental rights to four children. In 1994 and again in 2005, respondent mother released her parental rights to two children after termination petitions were filed. Both respondents received an extensive array of parenting and mental health services in conjunction with the previous termination proceedings, as well as during the instant proceeding. The record clearly and convincingly establishes that with respect to both respondents, attempts at rehabilitation failed.

Because proof of the prior terminations is the only prerequisite to termination under subsections (l) and (m), any evidence that the parent may improve through participation in additional services is irrelevant. Our review of the record confirms that both respondents demonstrated significant, longstanding emotional problems that constitute insurmountable obstacles to reunification.

Further, ample evidence supports the circuit court's finding that termination of respondents' parental rights does not contravene the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 354, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Therefore, the circuit court did not clearly err in terminating respondents' parental rights to the child. *Id.* at 356-357.

Affirmed.

/s/ Bill Schuette

/s/ Stephen L. Borrello

/s/ Elizabeth L. Gleicher