

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of A'JA DINA E' JONES, Minor.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

ANGELA JONES,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

ANTHONY W. HARREL,

Respondent.

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July 21, 2009

No. 287430

Wayne Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 94-313106-NA

Before: Davis, P.J., and Murphy and Fort Hood, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent Angela Jones appeals as of right from the trial court's order terminating her parental rights to the minor child pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g), and (j). We affirm.

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000); *In re JK*, 468 Mich 202, 209-210; 661 NW2d 216 (2003). The evidence showed that respondent has mental health problems and a psychiatric history. She participated in mental health services, but was resistant to therapy and was unable to resolve her mental health issues. Despite several years of treatment, she continued to minimize her mental health issues and showed no insight into how her condition affected her parenting abilities or impeded her from providing her child with a safe and stable home. The child had been in foster care for approximately four years, and there was no reasonable expectation that respondent would be in a position to provide proper care and custody within a reasonable time.

Further, considering the length of time the child had been in foster care, the evidence did not clearly show that termination of respondent's parental rights was not in the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 354; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Thus, the trial court did not err in terminating respondent's parental rights to the child.

Affirmed.

/s/ Alton T. Davis

/s/ William B. Murphy

/s/ Karen M. Fort Hood