

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

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In the Matter of J. RUSSELL, Minor.

No. 295339
Calhoun Circuit Court
Family Division
LC No. 2008-003098-NA

Before: OWENS, P.J., and O'CONNELL and TALBOT, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent Jessica Lockwood appeals as of right from a circuit court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(g), (j), and (l). We affirm.

On appeal, respondent argues that the trial court erred in terminating her parental rights under §§ 19b(3)(g) and (j). It is well established that only one statutory ground for termination need be proven to warrant termination. *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 360; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Because respondent does not challenge the trial court's decision to terminate her parental rights under § 19b(3)(l), she is not entitled to reversal of the order terminating her parental rights. Where a respondent does not challenge a trial court's determination regarding one or more of several statutory grounds for termination, this Court may assume that the trial court did not clearly err in finding that the unchallenged grounds were proven by clear and convincing evidence. See *In re JS & SM*, 231 Mich App 92, 98-99; 585 NW2d 326 (1998), overruled in part on other grounds by *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich at 353. Further, an appellant's failure to address an issue that must necessarily be reached to reverse the trial court precludes appellate relief. *City of Riverview v Sibley Limestone*, 270 Mich App 627, 638; 716 NW2d 615 (2006).

Regardless, given the evidence of respondent's unresolved problems with substance abuse and domestic violence, and the undisputed evidence that respondent's parental rights to another child were previously terminated as a result of proceedings initiated under MCL 712A.2(b), the trial court did not clearly err in finding that all three statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 3.977(J); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich at 356-357.

Affirmed.

/s/ Donald S. Owens
/s/ Peter D. O'Connell
/s/ Michael J. Talbot