COURT OF APPEALS OF VIRGINIA

Present: Judges Frank, Huff and Senior Judge Haley

TAI SHARROCK

v. Record No. 1033-12-3

MEMORANDUM OPINION*
PER CURIAM
OCTOBER 9, 2012

SHENANDOAH VALLEY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

FROM THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF WAYNESBORO Humes J. Franklin, Jr., Judge

(S. Scott Baker, on brief), for appellant.

(James B. Glick; Stephanie Cangin, Guardian *ad litem* for the minor child; Vellines, Glick & Whitesell, P.L.C., on brief), for appellee.

Tai Sharrock (hereinafter "mother") appeals the termination of her residual parental rights to her child, T.T. She maintains the trial court erred in finding that the Shenandoah Valley Department of Social Services (hereinafter "DSS") met its burden by clear and convincing evidence to terminate mother's residual parental rights to her child.

Mother presents no argument in support of her assignment of error. Instead, she offers only a conclusory statement that DSS "failed to prove by clear and convincing evidence that termination is in the best interests of the child, and the requisite statute [§]16.1-283." "Statements unsupported by argument, authority, or citations to the record do not merit appellate consideration. We will not search the record for errors in order to interpret appellant's contention and correct deficiencies in a brief." <u>Buchanan v. Buchanan</u>, 14 Va. App 53, 56, 415 S.E.2d 237, 239 (1992).

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Furthermore, mother has failed to include a transcript of the termination hearing or a statement of facts in the record on appeal. As mother maintains DSS failed to present sufficient evidence to support termination of her residual parental rights, either a transcript or a statement of facts is indispensable to a determination of the assignment of error. See Anderson v. Commonwealth, 13 Va. App. 506, 508-09, 413 S.E.2d 75, 76-77 (1992); Turner v. Commonwealth, 2 Va. App. 96, 99-100, 341 S.E.2d 400, 402 (1986). Accordingly, we summarily affirm the decision of the trial court. See Rule 5A:27.

Affirmed.