

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of QUONTAVIUS JEVON LEE,
Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

DOROTHY LEE, a/k/a DORIS LEE, a/k/a MELISSA
SHIRLEY LEE, a/k/a DOROTHY WILLIAMS, a/k/a
DORIS WILLIAMS, a/k/a MELISSA SHIRLEY
WILLIAMS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

ROBERT LEE JOHNSON,

Respondent.

Before: Whitbeck, P.J., McDonald and T. G. Hicks*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right the juvenile court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i) and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i) and (g). We affirm.¹

The juvenile court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence, particularly in light of the evidence of the appalling conditions in which the minor child was found by the police, respondent's failure to regularly visit the

* Circuit judge, sitting on the Court of Appeals by assignment.

minor child, her continuing drug use and her substantial failure to attempt to better herself. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Furthermore, respondent failed to show that termination of her parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, the juvenile court did not err in terminating respondent's parental rights.

Affirmed.

/s/ William C. Whitbeck

/s/ Gary R. McDonald

/s/ Timothy G. Hicks

¹ The respondent father of the minor child, Robert Lee Johnson, has not appealed the termination of his parental rights.