

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**COURT OF APPEALS**

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In the Matter of JENNIFER MARIE HARTWIG,  
CHRISTOPHER JAMES HARTWIG, and  
KIMBERLY ANN HARTWIG, Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

HEIDE ELIZABETH HARTWIG,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

TIM MILLER and MICHAEL JAMES CAUDILL,

Respondents.

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Before: Sawyer, P.J., and Wahls and Hoekstra, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

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

Because respondent-appellant has not addressed the abuse issues upon which the referee's findings and recommendations were made, and also has not provided this Court with a transcript of any hearing on her request for judicial review of the referee's findings and recommendations, we could decline review of respondent-appellant's arguments on appeal. See, e.g., *Admiral Ins Co v Columbia Casualty Ins Co*, 194 Mich App 300, 305; 486 NW2d 351 (1992); *Myers v Jarnac*, 189 Mich App 436, 444; 474 NW2d 302 (1991); *Joerger v Gordon Food, Inc*, 224 Mich App 167, 175; 568

NW2d 365 (1997). In any event, we are satisfied that the referee did not clearly err in finding that at least one statutory ground for termination was established by clear and convincing evidence. See MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, under MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5), as amended, the abuse of discretion standard relied upon by respondent-appellant is no longer applicable. *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Because respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of her parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests, the juvenile court did not err in terminating her parental rights to the children. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ David H. Sawyer  
/s/ Myron H. Wahls  
/s/ Joel P. Hoekstra