

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

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In the Matter of DEANGELO TERRELL  
STONE, DARRYL LAMONT STONE, JR.,  
DEONTAE GRIFFIN, DESHAWNTA LATRICE  
RESOR, and DE'ONNA LASHAWN RESOR,  
Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

LAJEAN TOMERA GRIFFIN, a/k/a, LAJEAN  
TERMARA GRIFFIN,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

DARRYL LAMONT STONE and LARRY EUGENE  
RESOR,

Respondents.

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Before: Gribbs, P.J., and Doctoroff and T.L. Ludington\*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from a family court order terminating her parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(b)(ii), (c)(i), (g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(b)(ii), (c)(i), (g) and (j). We affirm. This case is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

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

The family court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of her parental rights was clearly not in the children'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 family court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the children.<sup>1</sup>

Affirmed.

/s/ Roman S. Gibbs

/s/ Martin M. Doctoroff

/s/ Thomas L. Ludington

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<sup>1</sup> We decline to address respondent-appellant's claim that she was denied due process because she does not argue the merits of this claim in her brief. *Richmond Twp v Erbes*, 195 Mich App 210, 220; 489 NW2d 504 (1992).