

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

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In the Matter of JUWAN DONTAE CLINTON,  
Minor.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,  
  
Petitioner-Appellee,

v

CLARISSA ROCHELLE CLINTON,  
  
Respondent-Appellant,

and

JOHN JACKSON,  
  
Respondent.

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December 8, 2000

No. 221773  
Wayne Circuit Court  
Family Division  
LC No. 89-276083

Before: Bandstra, C.J., and Fitzgerald and D. B. Leiber\*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

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

The record reveals that respondent has a substance abuse problem that she has not been able to overcome despite participation in several treatment programs. Her parental rights to three other children have been terminated as a result of serious and chronic neglect stemming from her substance abuse problem. Her substance abuse dates back to 1986 and continued to be unresolved at the time of the termination hearing. In addition, respondent has no suitable housing. Under these circumstances, 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; *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, the evidence did not show that termination of respondent-appellant's parental rights was clearly not in the child's best

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

interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Trejo Minors*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Thus, the family court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the child.

Affirmed.

/s/ Richard A. Bandstra  
/s/ E. Thomas Fitzgerald  
/s/ Dennis B. Leiber