

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

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In the Matter of B.C.J., N.K.J., S.R.M., B.M.M.,  
and Z.M., Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,  
  
Petitioner-Appellee,

v

KATHRYN BIDDINGER,  
  
Respondent-Appellant,  
and

DANIEL STUART BIDDINGER, DOUG  
HANKERD, and CRAIG MARTENIES,  
  
Respondents.

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No. 229604  
Hillsdale Circuit Court  
Family Division  
LC No. 00-000116-NA

Before: Saad, P.J., and Fitzgerald and O'Connell, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant mother appeals as of right from an order terminating her parental rights to her five minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(g), (i), and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g), (i), and (j). We affirm.

Respondent asserts that the record lacked clear and convincing evidence to justify the court's decision to terminate her parental rights. We disagree. This Court reviews for clear error a trial court's decision to terminate parental rights. *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 356; 612 NW2d 407 (2000); MCR 5.974(I). We have carefully reviewed the lower court record and conclude that the trial court's finding that petitioner established a statutory ground to terminate respondent's

parental rights, and that the termination was in the children's best interest, was not clearly erroneous.

Affirmed.

/s/ Henry William Saad  
/s/ E. Thomas Fitzgerald  
/s/ Peter D. O'Connell