

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COURT OF APPEALS

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In the Matter of L.S.R. and J.D.H., Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

SHANITTA DENISE RIDEOUT,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

RICHARD MERCARDO and MARTY  
HOWARD,

Respondents.

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December 3, 2002

No. 237862  
Wayne Circuit Court  
Family Division  
LC No. 99-383154

Before: Markey, P.J., and Saad and Smolenski, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals by right from the trial court order terminating her parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g), and (j). This appeal is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E)(1)(b). We affirm.

The trial 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). Furthermore, the evidence did not show that termination of respondent-appellant's parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Thus, the trial court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the minor children.

We affirm.

/s/ Jane E. Markey  
/s/ Henry William Saad  
/s/ Michael R. Smolenski