

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of JOPAU MICHAEL HOPKINS,
Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

FRANCES ROYAL, f/k/a FRANCES RALSTON,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

PAUL W. HOPKINS,

Respondent.

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No. 200256

Marquette Probate Court

LC No. 95-004911

Before: Cavanagh, P.J., and Doctoroff and D.A. Teeple*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from the probate court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii); MSA 27.3178(598.19b) (3)(a)(ii). We affirm.

Respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of her parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interest. *In re Hall-Smith*, ___ Mich App ___; ___ NW2d ___ (Docket No. 195833, issued 3/25/97), slip op p 3. Thus, the probate court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the child. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b) (5).

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

Affirmed.

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh
/s/ Martin M. Doctoroff
/s/ Donald A. Teeple