

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of JUWAN DEANARD LANCE,
ELTJUAN SPEARS, JENNAY SPEARS,
JOHNIQUA SPEARS and JADE SPEARS, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

UNPUBLISHED
October 10, 1997

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

No. 197903
Oakland Juvenile Court
LC No. 94-057835-NA

GERALD LANCE,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

CAROLYN MORTON and JOHNNY SPEARS,

Respondents.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

No. 197934
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JOHNNY SPEARS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

CAROLYN MORTON and GERALD LANCE,

Respondents.

Before: Doctoroff, P.J., and Cavanagh and Saad, J.J.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent Lance appeals as of right from the juvenile court order terminating his parental rights to the minor child, Juwan Deanard Lance, under MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii) and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(a)(ii) and (g). Respondent Morton appeals as of right from the juvenile court order terminating her parental rights to all of the minor children under the same subsections. Respondents' appeals have been consolidated for our review. We affirm.

The juvenile court's findings on the statutory factors, MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii) and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(a)(ii) and (g), were supported by clear and convincing evidence and are not clearly erroneous. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Conley*, 216 Mich App 41, 42; 549 NW2d 353 (1996). Respondents have failed to demonstrate that termination of their parental rights is clearly not in the best interests of the children. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). The juvenile court's decision to terminate respondents' parental rights is not clearly erroneous. *Id.* at 472.

Affirmed.

/s/ Martin M. Doctoroff

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh

/s/ Henry W. Saad