

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of ROYCE EDWARD KELLY and
AMELIA DIANE GIDDINGS, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

LISA KELLY and EDWARD GIDDINGS,

Respondents-Appellants.

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Nos. 215114;215146

Kalamazoo Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 97-000001 NA

Before: McDonald, P.J., and Kelly and Cavanagh, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondents appeal as of right from a family court order terminating their parental rights to the minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g) and (j). We affirm.

The family court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence.¹ *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997); *In re Vasquez*, 199 Mich App 44, 51-52; 501 NW2d 231 (1993). In addition, respondents failed to show that termination of their parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5). Therefore, the family court did not err in terminating respondents' parental rights to the children. *In re Hall-Smith, supra*.

Affirmed.

/s/ Gary R. McDonald

/s/ Michael J. Kelly

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh

¹ Respondent Kelly also argues that the court erred in terminating her parental rights under § 19b(3)(c)(i). In light of our conclusion that termination was proper under §§ 19b(3)(g) and (j), and because the family court did not expressly state that it was terminating respondent Kelly's parental rights under § 19b(3)(c)(i), we find that further consideration of this issue is unnecessary. *Bowers v Bowers*, 216 Mich App 491, 495; 549 NW2d 592 (1996).