

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

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In the Matter of ROBERT HAMAS, CHRISTINA  
HAMAS, and ADAM WINTERS, Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

PAULINE CHILDERS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

RONALD BARKOWIAK and STEVEN  
WINTERS,

Respondents.

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In the Matter of GARRY ABDELNOUR, JR., Minor.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

PAULINE CHILDERS,

Respondent,

and

UNPUBLISHED  
February 11, 2000

No. 218799  
Sanilac Circuit Court  
Family Division  
LC No. 96-032911-NA

No. 218879  
Sanilac Circuit Court  
Family Division  
LC No. 96-032911-NA

GARRY ABDELNOUR,

Respondent-Appellant.

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Before: O'Connell, P.J., and Meter and T. G. Hicks\*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

In Docket No. 218799, respondent-appellant, Pauline Childers, appeals as of right from the family court orders terminating her parental rights to her minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (c)(ii), (g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i), (c)(ii), (g) and (j). In Docket No. 218879, respondent-appellant, Garry Abdelnour, appeals as of right from the family court order terminating his parental rights to his minor child pursuant to §§ 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. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, respondents-appellants 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); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, the family court did not err in terminating respondents-appellants' parental rights to the children. *Id.* at 472.

Affirmed.

/s/ Peter D. O'Connell  
/s/ Patrick M. Meter  
/s/ Timothy G. Hicks

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