

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

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In the Matter of DELONTE TERRELL AGE,  
BREONNA ARETHA AGE, TREMAINE CORTEZ  
BROWN, CHRISTAL SHAMONA AGE, SHANAE  
DENISE AGE, and ANTHONY JOSE AGE, Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

WILLIE JOE RATLIFF,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

SELINA AGE, JESSIE BROWN, and TERRY  
TATUM,

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No. 219446  
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LC No. 97-360579

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

MEMORANDUM.

In these consolidated appeals, respondents-appellants, Willie Joe Ratliff and Selina Age, appeal as of right from the family court order terminating their parental rights to the minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii), (c)(i), (g), and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3) (a)(ii), (c)(i), (g), and (j). We affirm. This case is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that §§ 19b(3)(c)(i), (g), and (j) were all established by clear and convincing evidence with respect to both respondents-appellants. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Because only one statutory ground is required to terminate parental rights, *In re Huisman*, 230 Mich App 372, 385; 584 NW2d 349 (1998), we find it unnecessary to address the applicability of §19b(3)(a)(ii) to respondents-appellants. Further, both 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 trial court did not err in terminating respondents-appellants' parental rights to the children.

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.