

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of GLEN SCOTT and STEVEN
SCOTT, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

JOHN G. BACK,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

CRYSTAL SCOTT,

Respondent.

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No. 216426

Jackson Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 97-194271

Before: Sawyer, P.J., and Holbrook, Jr., and W. E. Collette,* JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from the family court order terminating his parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(a)(ii), (c)(i) and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(a)(ii), (c)(i) and (g). We affirm. This case is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

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; *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Moreover, respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of his parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5);

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

In re Hall-Smith, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, the family court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the children. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ David H. Sawyer

/s/ Donald E. Holbrook, Jr.

/s/ William E. Collette