

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of B.L.J.P., and V.H.W., Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

HEATHER POLLET,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

ALFRED WILLSEA,

Respondent.

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January 17, 2003

No. 240957

Wexford Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 01-016173-NA

Before: Cooper, P.J., and Bandstra and Talbot, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from the trial court order terminating her parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(g), (j), and (m). We affirm.

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCL 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). The evidence established that respondent-appellant lacked the ability to maintain a clean home for her children and the ability to provide her children with proper care and supervision. There was also evidence that respondent-appellant exposed her children to a number of health and safety hazards. Additionally, evidence was presented establishing that respondent-appellant voluntarily terminated her parental rights to two other children.

Further, because at least one ground from termination was established, the trial court was required to terminate respondent-appellant's parental rights unless it found that termination was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 364-365; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Thus, the trial court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the children.

We affirm.

/s/ Jessica R. Cooper
/s/ Richard A. Bandstra
/s/ Michael J. Talbot