

## ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS

DIVISION III

No. CA10-1194

ASHLEY PEARSON

APPELLANT

V.

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF  
HUMAN SERVICES

APPELLEE

**Opinion Delivered** March 9, 2011

APPEAL FROM THE CARROLL  
COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT,  
EASTERN DISTRICT  
[NO. JV 2009-22]

HONORABLE KENT CROW, JUDGE

AFFIRMED; MOTION TO  
WITHDRAW GRANTED

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### LARRY D. VAUGHT, Chief Judge

Ashley Pearson appeals from the termination of her parental rights to her daughter, A.F., born October 23, 2007.<sup>1</sup> Pearson's attorney has filed a motion to withdraw and a no-merit brief pursuant to *Linker-Flores v. Arkansas Department of Human Services*, 359 Ark. 131, 194 S.W.3d 739 (2004), and Ark. Sup. Ct. R. 6-9(i). The clerk of this court sent copies of counsel's brief and motion to Pearson, informing her that she had the right to file pro se points for reversal. *See* Ark. Sup. Ct. R. 6-9(i)(3). Pearson filed a response that is not relevant to the issues of grounds and best interest of the child upon which the order terminating parental rights was based. Neither the Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) nor the attorney ad litem have filed a brief; however, both have filed letters pursuant to Ark. Sup. Ct. R. 6-9(i)(2) stating that they concur that the appeal has no merit.

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<sup>1</sup>The court also terminated the parental rights of A.F.'s father, Glenn Fairchild. Fairchild did not appeal from the termination order.

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After carefully examining the record and the brief presented to us, we find that counsel has complied with the requirements established by the Arkansas Supreme Court for no-merit appeals in termination cases and also conclude that the appeal is wholly without merit. Accordingly, we grant counsel's motion to withdraw and affirm the order terminating Pearson's parental rights.

Affirmed; motion granted.

GLADWIN and MARTIN, JJ., agree.