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You are hereby notified that the Court has entered the following opinion and order:

2014AP1653-CRNM State of Wisconsin v. Montreal L. Freeman (L.C. #2013CF2700)

Before Kloppenburg, P.J., Higginbotham and Blanchard, JJ.

Attorney Kathilynne Grotelueschen, appointed counsel for Montreal Freeman, has filed a no-merit report pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 (2013-14)¹ and *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Counsel provided Freeman with a copy of the report, and both counsel and this court advised him of his right to file a response. Freeman has not responded. We conclude that this case is appropriate for summary disposition. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21. After our

¹ All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2013-14 version unless otherwise noted.

independent review of the record, we conclude there is no arguable merit to any issue that could be raised on appeal.

Freeman pled guilty to one count of aiding a felon, as a habitual offender. The court imposed a sentence of three years of initial confinement and eighteen months of extended supervision.

The no-merit report addresses whether Freeman's plea was entered knowingly, voluntarily, and intelligently. The plea colloquy sufficiently complied with the requirements of *State v. Bangert*, 131 Wis. 2d 246, 255-73, 389 N.W.2d 12 (1986), and WIS. STAT. § 971.08 relating to the nature of the charge, the rights Freeman was waiving, and other matters. The record shows no other ground to withdraw the plea. There is no arguable merit to this issue.

The no-merit report addresses whether the court erroneously exercised its sentencing discretion. The standards for the circuit court and this court on sentencing issues are well-established and need not be repeated here. *See State v. Gallion*, 2004 WI 42, ¶¶17-51, 270 Wis. 2d 535, 678 N.W.2d 197. In this case, the court considered appropriate factors, did not consider improper factors, and reached a reasonable result. There is no arguable merit to this issue.

Our review of the record discloses no other potential issues for appeal.

Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of conviction is summarily affirmed. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Attorney Grotelueschen is relieved of further representation of Freeman in this matter. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32(3).

Diane M. Fremgen Clerk of Court of Appeals