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

2014AP2830-CRNM State of Wisconsin v. John A. Price (L.C. # 2013CF34) 2014AP2831-CRNM State of Wisconsin v. John A. Price (L.C. # 2013CF146)

Before Kloppenburg, P.J.

Appointed counsel for John Price filed a no-merit report under WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32. In a letter dated January 27, 2015, counsel informed us that he first served the report on Price by mail in care of a county jail, but the report was returned to him. Counsel then attempted service by mail to an address listed on court records, which was also returned. Our clerk's notices to that second address have also been returned.

We now dismiss these appeals. Price has not been served with the no-merit report, and therefore has not had a chance to respond. It is a defendant's obligation to keep his attorney

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informed of his or her address. We see little purpose in conducting a no-merit review under

these circumstances, because even if we find an issue with arguable merit, counsel cannot pursue

it without his client's consent. As of this point, neither counsel nor the court would be able to

inform Price that an issue exists. Therefore, we dismiss the appeals.

IT IS ORDERED that these appeals are dismissed.

Diane M. Fremgen Clerk of Court of Appeals

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