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

2015AP2305-NM

In re the commitment of M.M.L.: Walworth County v. M.M.L. (L.C. #2014ME45)

Before Reilly, P.J.¹

M.M.L. appeals from an order committing her for mental health treatment under WIS. STAT. § 51.20 and authorizing the involuntary administration of medication and treatment. Her appellate counsel has filed a no-merit report pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 and *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). M.M.L. received a copy of the report, was advised of her right to file a response, and has elected not to do so. Upon consideration of the report and an

¹ This appeal is decided by one judge pursuant to WIS. STAT. § 752.31(2)(d) (2013-14). All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2013-14 version unless otherwise noted.

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independent review of the record, we conclude that the order may be summarily affirmed

because there is no arguable merit to any issue that could be raised on appeal. See WIS. STAT.

RULE 809.21.

On November 5, 2014, M.M.L.'s commitment was extended for a six-month period. The

commitment expired on or about May 5, 2015. The circuit court docket reflects that on May 1,

2015, M.M.L.'s commitment was extended for a twelve-month period.

The no-merit report addresses whether the evidence offered was sufficient to extend

M.M.L.'s mental health commitment and require involuntary medication and treatment. The

report notes the appropriate standard for each intervention. See WIS. STAT. §§ 51.20(1)(a)2. and

(am), 51.61(1)(g)4. This court is satisfied that the no-merit report properly analyzes the issues it

raises as without merit, and this court will not discuss them further.

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

court accepts the no-merit report, affirms the order of the circuit court and discharges appellate

counsel of the obligation to represent M.M.L. further in this appeal.

Upon the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that the order is summarily affirmed. See WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Attorney Kaitlin A. Lamb is relieved from further

representing M.M.L. in this matter. See WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32(3).

Diane M. Fremgen Clerk of Court of Appeals