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

2024AP1306-CRNM State of Wisconsin v. Julius A. Lloyd (L.C. #2021CF272)

Before Blanchard, Kloppenburg, and Nashold, JJ.

Summary disposition orders may not be cited in any court of this state as precedent or authority, except for the limited purposes specified in WIS. STAT. RULE 809.23(3).

Attorney Melissa Petersen, as appointed counsel for Julius Lloyd, filed a no-merit report pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 (2023-24)¹ and *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Counsel provided Lloyd with a copy of the report, and both counsel and this court advised him of his right to file a response. Lloyd has not responded. We conclude that this case is appropriate

¹ All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2023-24 version.

for summary disposition. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21. After our independent review of the record, we conclude that there is no arguable merit to any issue that could be raised on appeal.

Lloyd pled no contest to first-degree recklessly endangering safety, possession of cocaine with intent to deliver, and discharging a firearm from a vehicle towards a vehicle or building. The circuit court imposed consecutive sentences on the first two counts totaling four years of initial confinement and eight years of extended supervision. On the third count, the court withheld sentence and placed Lloyd on probation for five years.

The no-merit report addresses whether trial counsel was ineffective by not filing any suppression motions beyond the one motion that was filed. In reaching this conclusion, counsel may have reviewed material that is outside the record and not available to this court. In our review of the available record, we have not identified any additional suppression issue with arguable merit.

The no-merit report addresses whether Lloyd's pleas were entered knowingly, voluntarily, and intelligently. The plea colloquy sufficiently complied with the requirements of *State v. Brown*, 2006 WI 100, ¶35, 293 Wis. 2d 594, 716 N.W.2d 906, and WIS. STAT. § 971.08 relating to the nature of the charge, the rights Lloyd 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 Lloyd's sentences. The sentences are within the legal maximums. As to discretionary issues, the standards for the circuit court and this court 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 circuit 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.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this summary disposition order will not be published.

Samuel A. Christensen
Clerk of Court of Appeals