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S.T.H.

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

2026AP883-NM

In the matter of the mental commitment of S.T.H.: Milwaukee
County Corporation Counsel v. S.T.H. (L.C. # 2025ME615)

Before Geenen, J.¹

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).

S.T.H. appeals from an order extending his involuntary commitment under WIS. STAT. ch. 51. Appellate counsel, Dustin C. Haskell, has filed a no-merit report pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), and WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32. S.T.H. was advised of his right to file a response and has not responded. Upon consideration of the no-merit report and an independent review of the record as mandated by *Anders* and RULE 809.32, we summarily affirm

¹ This appeal is decided by one judge pursuant to WIS. STAT. § 752.31(2)(d) (2023-24). All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2023-24 version.

the circuit court's order because there is no arguable merit to any issue that could be raised on appeal. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

On December 2, 2025, Milwaukee County filed a petition to extend S.T.H.'s involuntary commitment pursuant to WIS. STAT. § 51.20. As support for the petition, the County attached a report from S.T.H.'s treating physician, stating that S.T.H. suffers from schizophrenia, continues to be mentally ill, is a proper subject for treatment, and would be a proper subject for recommitment if treatment were to be withdrawn. The report also detailed instances of aggression and violence committed by S.T.H. prior to his initial commitment.

The circuit court held an extension hearing on December 19, 2025, where it heard testimony from Dr. Jane Nuttall, a court-appointed psychologist, Elba Gonzalez, S.T.H.'s case manager, and S.T.H.'s mother. The court ordered S.T.H.'s commitment extended for six months. This no-merit report follows.

Appellate counsel's no-merit report addresses whether the evidence the County provided at the extension hearing was sufficient to support the order extending S.T.H.'s commitment. To obtain an extension order for S.T.H.'s commitment, the County had the burden of proving by clear and convincing evidence that (1) S.T.H. is mentally ill, (2) he is a proper subject for treatment, and (3) he is dangerous to himself or others. *See* WIS. STAT. § 51.20(13)(e), 51.20(1)(a). Without reciting all the evidence here, we agree with counsel that it would be frivolous to argue that the evidence was insufficient as to the extension order. The testimony elicited at the hearing established that S.T.H. was schizophrenic, was a proper subject for treatment, and made violent and homicidal threats against his mother.

Our independent review of the record does not disclose any potentially meritorious issue for appeal. This court therefore accepts the no-merit report.

Therefore,

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Attorney Dustin C. Haskell is relieved of further representation of S.T.H. 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