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

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2024AP2096

State of Wisconsin v. Milton Eugene Warren (L.C. # 2014CF2123)

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).**

Milton Warren, pro se, appeals an order of the circuit court that denied his postconviction motion titled "Challenge to Arrest Upon Warrant." Based on our review of the briefs and record, we conclude at conference that this case is appropriate for summary disposition. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21 (2023-24).<sup>1</sup> The order is summarily affirmed.

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<sup>1</sup> All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2023-24 version.

In February 2015, a jury found Warren guilty of being party to the crime of possession with intent to deliver more than 50 grams of heroin, possessing tetrahydrocannabinol as a second or subsequent offense, and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. This court affirmed Warren’s judgment of conviction in 2017. *State v. Warren*, No. 2016AP936, unpublished slip op. (WI App July 20, 2017). Since then, Warren has filed numerous postconviction motions in the circuit court. This court summarily affirmed the circuit court’s denial of a motion for postconviction relief in which Warren asserted ineffective assistance of counsel, *State v. Warren*, No. 2021AP1107, unpublished op. and order (WI App Jan. 12, 2023), and several other appeals from the circuit court’s denials of Warren’s additional motions for postconviction relief are still pending. The instant appeal arises from the circuit court’s denial of a postconviction motion filed in August 2024 in which Warren challenged the legality of his arrest and sought relief under WIS. STAT. § 974.06.

On appeal, Warren renews his contention that the circuit court did not have authority to issue a search warrant or warrant for his arrest. The State argues, as the circuit court determined, that this claim is procedurally barred by *State v. Escalona-Naranjo*, 185 Wis.2d 168, 517 N.W.2d 157 (1994). Whether the claim is procedurally barred is a question of law that we review de novo. *State v. Tillman*, 2005 WI App 71, ¶14, 281 Wis. 2d 157, 696 N.W.2d 574.

In *Escalona-Naranjo*, our supreme court explained that “all grounds for relief under [WIS. STAT. §] 974.06 must be raised in a petitioner’s original, supplemental, or amended motion.” *Escalona-Naranjo*, 185 Wis. 2d at 181. Absent a sufficient reason, a defendant may not bring claims in a § 974.06 motion if the claims could have been raised in a prior motion or direct appeal. *Id.* at 185; *State v. Romero-Georgana*, 2014 WI 83, ¶34, 360 Wis. 2d 522, 849 N.W.2d 668. In this appeal, Warren offers no reason why the instant claim could not have been

raised in one of his previous postconviction motions or appeals. We therefore conclude that the claim is procedurally barred and affirm the order on appeal.

IT IS ORDERED that the order of the circuit court is summarily affirmed pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

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

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*Samuel A. Christensen*  
*Clerk of Court of Appeals*