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

2024AP749-CRNM

State of Wisconsin v. Frederick Brown, Jr. (L.C. #2021CF1236)

Before Neubauer, P.J., Gundrum, and Lazar, 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).

Frederick Brown, Jr., appeals from a judgment convicting him of several crimes. His appellate counsel filed a no-merit report pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 (2023-24)¹ and *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Brown received a copy of the report, was advised of his right to file a response, and has elected not to do so. Upon consideration of the report and an independent review of the record, we conclude there are no issues with arguable merit for appeal. Therefore, we summarily affirm the judgment. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

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

Brown was convicted following a jury trial of armed robbery, theft of moveable property, and possession of a firearm by a felon. The charges stemmed from an incident in which Brown, a convicted felon, used a firearm to take money and property from a former coworker.² For his actions, the circuit court imposed an aggregate sentence of twenty-five years of initial confinement and fifteen years of extended supervision. This no-merit appeal follows.

The no-merit report addresses whether the evidence was sufficient to support Brown's convictions and whether the circuit court properly exercised its discretion at sentencing. This court is satisfied that the no-merit report correctly analyzes the issues it raises as without merit, and we will not discuss them further.

A review of the record—including jury selection, jury instructions, objections at trial, and opening statements/closing arguments—discloses no other potential issues for appeal. Accordingly, this court accepts the no-merit report, affirms the judgment of conviction, and discharges appellate counsel of the obligation to represent Brown further in this appeal.

Upon the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of the circuit court is summarily affirmed. *See* WIS. STAT, RULE 809.21.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Attorney Marcella De Peters is relieved of further representation of Frederick Brown, Jr., in this appeal. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32(3).

² Brown acknowledged being at the scene of the incident. However, he insisted that he had merely "ripped off" his former coworker by selling him "bad weed." The jury did not believe this account.

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

Samuel A. Christensen Clerk of Court of Appeals