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

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2019AP2315-CRNM      State of Wisconsin v. Terry C. Bolden (L.C. # 2016CF2564)

Before Dugan, Donald and White, 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).**

Terry C. Bolden appeals a judgment of conviction for second-degree reckless homicide and an order denying his motion for postconviction relief. Attorney Andrea Taylor Cornwall, appointed counsel for Bolden, has filed a no-merit report pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 (2019-20)<sup>1</sup> and *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Bolden was sent a copy of the report and has not filed a response. Upon consideration of the report and an independent review of the

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<sup>1</sup> All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2019-20 version unless otherwise noted.

record as mandated by *Anders*, we conclude there is no arguable merit to any issue that could be raised on appeal. Accordingly, we summarily affirm. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

The State charged Bolden with first-degree reckless homicide based on an incident in which he repeatedly struck the victim with a baseball bat, causing the victim's death. Bolden subsequently agreed to plead guilty to a reduced charge of second-degree reckless homicide, with the parties free to argue for the proper sentence. At sentencing, the State recommended that the circuit court impose a prison sentence at or near the maximum. The court imposed the maximum term consisting of fifteen years of initial confinement and ten years of extended supervision. The court stated that it was imposing the maximum sentence mainly because of the extremely aggravated nature of Bolden's crime, as shown in part by an autopsy report listing the victim's numerous injuries.

Bolden filed a motion seeking postconviction relief in which he requested resentencing or, in the alternative, a reduction in sentence. He contended that the circuit court relied on inaccurate information at sentencing consisting of false allegations by the victim's family that Bolden had previously abused the victim. Bolden further contended that his trial counsel was ineffective at sentencing by not being prepared to dispel the allegations and by not requesting an adjournment to investigate the family's claims. Bolden also contended that he had new information that reflected favorably on his relationship with the victim, and that this new information could be considered a new sentencing factor. The circuit court denied Bolden's motion. The court pointed out that, at sentencing, it had expressly declined to rely on the prior abuse allegations because Bolden had disputed those allegations.

The no-merit report addresses whether Bolden’s guilty plea was knowing, intelligent, and voluntary; whether the maximum prison sentence was unduly harsh and excessive under the circumstances of this case; whether the circuit court otherwise erroneously exercised its sentencing discretion; and whether the court erred in denying Bolden’s postconviction motion seeking resentencing or sentence reduction. We are satisfied that the report properly analyzes each of these issues as having no arguable merit.

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

Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of conviction and the order denying postconviction relief are summarily affirmed. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Attorney Andrea Taylor Cornwall is relieved of any further representation of Terry C. Bolden in this matter. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32(3).

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

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*Sheila T. Reiff*  
*Clerk of Court of Appeals*