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To:

Hon. Kristina M. Bourget Circuit Court Judge 721 Oxford Avenue Eau Claire, WI 54703 Ryan A. Clough

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

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Ryan A. Clough v. Suzanne M. Poirier (L. C. #2013CV553)

Before Hoover, P.J., Stark and Hruz, JJ.

Suzanne Poirier, pro se, appeals a harassment injunction ordering her to have no contact with a former boyfriend. Based upon our review of the brief and record, we conclude at conference that this case is appropriate for summary disposition and we summarily affirm. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21 (2011-12).

Poirier's brief is largely unintelligible. Her apparent attempt to write in an elevated writing style renders many statements nonsensical, and she fails to develop any legal arguments. She appears to argue the court erroneously considered hearsay evidence, but she does not cite the record to demonstrate she preserved any such claims, much less develop a coherent argument. See State v. Flynn, 190 Wis. 2d 31, 39 n.2, 527 N.W.2d 343 (Ct. App. 1994) ("We will not decide issues that are not, or inadequately, briefed.").

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Poirier also appears to take issue with the circuit court's findings of fact, asserting

various evidence was untruthful. We do not resolve factual disputes. Rather, we defer to the

trial court on credibility determinations because of its "superior opportunity ... to observe the

demeanor of witnesses and to gauge the persuasiveness of their testimony." Johnson v. Merta,

95 Wis. 2d 141, 151-52, 289 N.W.2d 813 (1980) (source omitted).

We further observe that Poirier misrepresents the record. She asserts the circuit court

somehow erred by hearing testimony that she sent 400 text messages in one day, because doing

so would be impossible. The transcript, however, reveals that Poirier's former boyfriend in fact

testified she had texted him 400 times over the course of nearly two months. Further, the court

never indicated it believed 400 messages were sent in one day.

As a whole, Poirier's brief is so deficient that it does not merit review.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED that the order of the circuit court is summarily affirmed.

Diane M. Fremgen Clerk of Court of Appeals

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