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

2017AP537-CRNM

State of Wisconsin v. Ryan King (L.C. # 2013CF78)

Before Neubauer, C.J., Reilly, P.J. and Hagedorn, J.

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).

Ryan King appeals from a judgment of conviction for first-degree reckless homicide and possession of a firearm by a felon. His appellate counsel filed a no-merit report pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 (2015-16)¹ and *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). King received a

¹ All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2015-16 version.

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 that the judgment may be summarily affirmed because there are no issues with arguable merit for appeal. *See* Wis. Stat. Rule 809.21.

King was convicted following pleas to first-degree reckless homicide and possession of a firearm by a felon. The charges stemmed from a domestic altercation in which King chased his girlfriend down a street and shot her to death. He had two felony convictions at the time. The evidence against King was strong² and included multiple inculpatory statements to both police and a relative. The circuit court sentenced him to a total of forty years of initial confinement and ten years of extended supervision. This no-merit appeal follows.

The no-merit report addresses potential issues of whether King's inculpatory statements were admissible, whether his pleas were knowingly, voluntarily, and intelligently entered, 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 this court will not discuss them further.

Our review of the record 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 King further in this appeal.

² The victim called relatives for help shortly before the incident because she and King "were getting into it" and he "was going to shoot her." Videos captured King pursuing the victim down the street where she was shot and hurriedly entering a vehicle afterwards. King subsequently fled the scene and was later apprehended in Tennessee with a gun.

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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 Angela C. Kachelski is relieved of further representation of Ryan King in this appeal. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32(3).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this summary disposition order will not be published.

Sheila T. Reiff Clerk of Court of Appeals