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

2020AP390-CRNM State of Wisconsin v. Trent J. Woodman
(L. C. No. 2018CF306)

Before Stark, P.J., Hruz and Gill, 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).

Trent Woodman appeals from a judgment convicting him of three sexual assault charges. Attorney Suzanne Hagopian has filed a no-merit report seeking to withdraw as appellate counsel. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 (2019-20).¹ The no-merit report sets forth the procedural history of the case and addresses Woodman's pleas and sentences. Woodman was advised of his right to respond to the report but has not filed a response. Having independently reviewed the entire

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

record as mandated by *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967), we conclude there are no arguably meritorious issues for appeal.

The State charged Woodman with two counts of sexual assault of a child under the age of sixteen; three counts of repeated sexual assault of a child; two counts of second-degree sexual assault; and three counts of incest. It further sought lifetime supervision of Woodman as a serious sex offender on each charge. Woodman pled guilty to one count each of sexual assault of a child under the age of sixteen and repeated sexual assault of a child, and he pled no contest to one count of second-degree sexual assault. In exchange, the State agreed that the remaining counts could be dismissed and read in and that the parties would jointly request a presentence investigation report and remain free to argue the appropriate sentence. The circuit court accepted Woodman's pleas after conducting a plea colloquy to ascertain Woodman's understanding of his rights and the charges and also reviewing, with Woodman, a signed plea questionnaire and waiver of rights form, with attached jury instructions.

The circuit court held a sentencing hearing at which the parties provided recommendations, family members of two of the victims gave statements, and Woodman exercised his right of allocution. After hearing from the parties, the court discussed proper sentencing factors, including: the gravity of the offenses—which the court deemed “absolutely horrible” and possibly the worst he had ever seen; the character of the offender—which the court noted was manipulative and dangerous; and the goals of sentencing—with the need for punishment and protection of the public outweighing Woodman's need for rehabilitation. The court then sentenced Woodman to consecutive terms of fourteen years' initial confinement followed by ten years of extended supervision each on the counts of sexual assault of a child under sixteen and repeated sexual assault of a child, and an additional consecutive ten years'

initial confinement followed by five years of extended supervision on the count of second-degree sexual assault. The court further ordered lifetime supervision of Woodman as a serious sex offender on each charge pursuant to WIS. STAT. § 939.615(2)(a), as well as lifetime registration on the sex offender registry.

We agree with counsel's description, analysis and conclusion that any challenge to Woodman's pleas or sentences would lack arguable merit. Our independent review of the record discloses no other potential issues for appeal.² We conclude that any further appellate proceedings would be wholly frivolous within the meaning of *Anders*. Accordingly, counsel shall be allowed to withdraw, and the judgment of conviction will be summarily affirmed. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

Upon the foregoing,

IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of conviction is summarily affirmed pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Attorney Suzanne Hagopian is relieved of any further representation of Trent Woodman in this matter pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32(3).

² We note that Woodman's pleas forfeited the right to raise other nonjurisdictional defects and defenses, including any claimed violations of constitutional rights. *See State v. Kelty*, 2006 WI 101, ¶18 & n.11, 294 Wis. 2d 62, 716 N.W.2d 886; *see also State v. Lasky*, 2002 WI App 126, ¶11, 254 Wis. 2d 789, 646 N.W.2d 53.

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

Sheila T. Reiff
Clerk of Court of Appeals