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

2023AP2231-CRNM State of Wisconsin v. Eric J. Bish (L.C. #2004CF940)

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

Eric J. Bish appeals from a judgment of conviction imposing sentence after the revocation of his probation. His appellate counsel filed a no-merit report pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32 (2021-22)¹ and *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Bish received a copy of the report, was advised of his right to file a response, and has not responded. Upon consideration of the report and an independent review of the Record, we conclude that the

¹ All references to the Wisconsin Statutes are to the 2021-22 version unless otherwise noted.

judgment may be summarily affirmed because there are no issues with arguable merit for appeal. See WIS. STAT. RULE 809.21.

As relevant to this no-merit appeal, in 2005, Bish pled guilty to forty counts of possession of child pornography. On counts one through four, the circuit court sentenced Bish to twelve years of imprisonment, consisting of four years of initial confinement and eight years of extended supervision. On counts five through forty, the circuit court withheld sentence and placed Bish on probation for a period of twenty years. The probation period ran consecutively to the sentences imposed on counts one through four.

In 2022, Bish's probation was revoked for a number of violations, including his use of the internet to search for child pornography. Bish then appeared before the circuit court for sentencing after revocation. The circuit court imposed sentences totaling sixty years of imprisonment, consisting of twenty years of initial confinement and forty years of extended supervision. This no-merit appeal follows.

The no-merit report addresses whether the circuit court properly exercised its discretion in imposing its sentence after revocation. This court is satisfied that the no-merit report correctly analyzes the issue it raises as without merit, and this court will not discuss it further.

Our review of the Record discloses no other potential issues for appeal.² Accordingly, this court accepts the no-merit report, affirms the judgment of conviction, and discharges appellate counsel of the obligation to represent Bish further in this appeal.

Therefore,

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 Jeremy Newman is relieved of further representation of Eric J. Bish in this appeal. *See* WIS. STAT. RULE 809.32(3).

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

Samuel A. Christensen Clerk of Court of Appeals

² Any challenge to the underlying convictions is outside the scope of this appeal. *See State ex rel. Marth v. Smith*, 224 Wis. 2d 578, 582 n.5, 592 N.W.2d 307 (Ct. App. 1999). Review of probation revocation is by way of certiorari review to the court of conviction. *Id.* at 583.