## IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

## **Docket No. 41487**

STATE OF IDAHO,	) 2014 Unpublished Opinion No. 603
Plaintiff-Respondent,	) Filed: July 1, 2014
v.	) Stephen W. Kenyon, Clerk
ROBERT RAY FERGUSON,	) THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED OPINION AND SHALL NOT
Defendant-Appellant.	) BE CITED AS AUTHORITY
Appeal from the District Court of the County. Hon. Deborah A. Bail, Dis	ne Fourth Judicial District, State of Idaho, Ada strict Judge.
Order denying I.C.R. 35 motion for	reduction of sentence, affirmed.

Sara B. Thomas, State Appellate Public Defender; Erik R. Lehtinen, Deputy Appellate Public Defender, Boise, for appellant.

Hon. Lawrence G. Wasden, Attorney General; Lori A. Fleming, Deputy Attorney General, Boise, for respondent.

Before LANSING, Judge; GRATTON, Judge; and MELANSON, Judge

PER CURIAM

Robert Ray Ferguson pled guilty to aggravated assault. Idaho Code §§ 18-901(a), 18-905(b). The district court sentenced Ferguson to a unified term of five years with two years determinate. Ferguson filed an Idaho Criminal Rule 35 motion, which the district court denied. Ferguson appeals asserting that the district court abused its discretion by denying his Rule 35 motion.

A motion for reduction of sentence under I.C.R. 35 is essentially a plea for leniency, addressed to the sound discretion of the court. *State v. Knighton*, 143 Idaho 318, 319, 144 P.3d 23, 24 (2006); *State v. Gill*, 150 Idaho 183, 186, 244 P.3d 1269, 1272 (Ct. App. 2010). In presenting a Rule 35 motion, the defendant must show that the sentence is excessive in light of new or additional information subsequently provided to the district court in support of the

motion. *State v. Huffman*, 144 Idaho 201, 203, 159 P.3d 838, 840 (2007). An appeal from the denial of a Rule 35 motion cannot be used as a vehicle to review the underlying sentence absent the presentation of new information. *Id.* Because no new or additional information in support of Ferguson's Rule 35 motion was presented, the district court did not abuse its discretion. For the foregoing reasons, the district court's order denying Ferguson's Rule 35 motion is affirmed.