IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 41606

STATE OF IDAHO,) 2014 Unpublished Opinion No. 729
Plaintiff-Respondent,) Filed: September 18, 2014
v.) Stephen W. Kenyon, Clerk
TOMMY MATTHEW LACASSE,) THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED) OPINION AND SHALL NOT
Defendant-Appellant.) BE CITED AS AUTHORITY

Appeal from the District Court of the Fourth Judicial District, State of Idaho, Ada County. Hon. Michael E. Wetherell, District Judge.

Order denying I.C.R. 35 motion for reduction of sentence, affirmed.

Sara B. Thomas, State Appellate Public Defender; Shawn F. Wilkerson, Deputy Appellate Public Defender, Boise, for appellant.

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

Before GUTIERREZ, Chief Judge; LANSING, Judge; and GRATTON, Judge

PER CURIAM

Tommy Matthew Lacasse pled guilty to felony driving under the influence. Idaho Code §§ 18-8004, 18-8005(6). The district court sentenced Lacasse to a unified term of ten years with three and one-half years determinate. Lacasse filed an Idaho Criminal Rule 35 motion, which the district court denied. Lacasse 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). Upon review of the record, including any new information submitted with Lacasse's Rule 35 motion, we conclude no abuse of discretion has been shown. Therefore, the district court's order denying Lacasse's Rule 35 motion is affirmed.