IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 42284

STATE OF IDAHO,) 2015 Unpublished Opinion No. 382
Plaintiff-Respondent,) Filed: March 3, 2015
v.) Stephen W. Kenyon, Clerk
BILLY JESSIE BRANTNER,)) THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED) OPINION AND SHALL NOT
Defendant-Appellant.) BE CITED AS AUTHORITY

Appeal from the District Court of the First Judicial District, State of Idaho, Benewah County. Hon. Fred M. Gibler, District Judge.

Order relinquishing jurisdiction, affirmed.

Sara B. Thomas, State Appellate Public Defender; Reed P. Anderson, Deputy Appellate Public Defender, Boise, for appellant.

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

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

PER CURIAM

Billy Jessie Brantner pled guilty to battery with the intent to commit a serious felony. Idaho Code §§ 18-903, 18-912. The district court sentenced Brantner to a unified term of six years with three years determinate, suspended the sentence, and placed Brantner on probation for a period of three years. After two periods of probation and two periods of retained jurisdiction, the district court relinquished jurisdiction and executed the original sentence. Brantner appeals asserting that the district court abused its discretion by relinquishing jurisdiction.

The decision as to whether to place a defendant on probation or, instead, to relinquish jurisdiction is committed to the discretion of the sentencing court. *State v. Hernandez*, 122 Idaho 227, 230, 832 P.2d 1162, 1165 (Ct. App. 1992); *State v. Lee*, 117 Idaho 203, 786 P.2d 594 (Ct. App. 1990); *State v. Toohill*, 103 Idaho 565, 567, 650 P.2d 707, 709 (Ct. App. 1982). Therefore,

a decision to relinquish jurisdiction will not be disturbed on appeal except for an abuse of discretion. *State v. Chapman*, 120 Idaho 466, 816 P.2d 1023 (Ct. App. 1991). The record in this case shows that the district court properly considered the information before it and determined that probation was not appropriate. We hold that the district court did not abuse its discretion, and we therefore affirm the order relinquishing jurisdiction.

Sentencing is a matter for the trial court's discretion. Both our standard of review and the factors to be considered in evaluating the reasonableness of a sentence are well established and need not be repeated here. *See State v. Hernandez*, 121 Idaho 114, 117-18, 822 P.2d 1011, 1014-15 (Ct. App. 1991); *State v. Lopez*, 106 Idaho 447, 449-51, 680 P.2d 869, 871-73 (Ct. App. 1984); *Toohill*, 103 Idaho at 568, 650 P.2d at 710.

Applying the foregoing standards, and having reviewed the record in this case, we cannot say that the district court abused its discretion in relinquishing jurisdiction. Therefore, the order relinquishing jurisdiction and directing execution of Brantner's previously suspended sentence is affirmed.