

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 50353

STATE OF IDAHO, )  
 ) **Filed: June 13, 2023**  
 Plaintiff-Respondent, )  
 ) **Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk**  
 v. )  
 ) **THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED**  
 DERRICK JOSEPH BOWERS, ) **OPINION AND SHALL NOT**  
 ) **BE CITED AS AUTHORITY**  
 Defendant-Appellant. )  
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Appeal from the District Court of the Seventh Judicial District, State of Idaho, Bingham County. Hon. Darren B. Simpson, District Judge.

Judgment of conviction and unified sentence of ten years, with a minimum period of confinement of three years, for aggravated battery, affirmed.

Eric D. Fredericksen, State Appellate Public Defender; Kiley A. Heffner, Deputy Appellate Public Defender, Boise, for appellant.

Hon. Raúl R. Labrador, Attorney General; Kenneth K. Jorgensen, Deputy Attorney General, Boise, for respondent.

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Before LORELLO, Chief Judge; GRATTON, Judge;  
and HUSKEY, Judge

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PER CURIAM

Derrick Joseph Bowers entered an *Alford*<sup>1</sup> plea to an amended charge of aggravated battery. I.C. § 18-907. In exchange for his guilty plea, an additional charge that he is a persistent violator was dismissed. The district court sentenced Bowers to a unified term of ten years, with a minimum period of confinement of three years, to run concurrently with other unrelated sentences. Bowers appeals, arguing that his sentence is excessive.

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<sup>1</sup> See *North Carolina v. Alford*, 400 U.S. 25 (1970).

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 the 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); *State v. Toohill*, 103 Idaho 565, 568, 650 P.2d 707, 710 (Ct. App. 1982). When reviewing the length of a sentence, we consider the defendant's entire sentence. *State v. Oliver*, 144 Idaho 722, 726, 170 P.3d 387, 391 (2007). Our role is limited to determining whether reasonable minds could reach the same conclusion as the district court. *State v. Biggs*, 168 Idaho 112, 116, 480 P.3d 150, 154 (Ct. App. 2020). Applying these standards, and having reviewed the record in this case, we cannot say that the district court abused its discretion.

Therefore, Bowers's judgment of conviction and sentence are affirmed.