IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF OHIO SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT MONTGOMERY COUNTY

STATE OF OHIO
Plaintiff-Appellee
v.
CHRISTOPHER O. CAMPBELL
Defendant-Appellant
Appellate Case No. 22408
Trial Court Case No. 1997-CR-917/2
(Criminal Appeal from Common Pleas Court)
<u>OPINION</u>
Rendered on the <u>22nd</u> day of <u>August</u> , 2008.
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BROGAN, J.

 $\{\P\ 1\}$ Christopher Campbell appeals from the trial court's judgment denying his

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motion to withdraw his plea of guilty to involuntary manslaughter and kidnaping which he

entered on September 24, 1997. He also sought to have his consecutive sentence

modified pursuant to State v. Foster, 109 Ohio St.3d, 2006-Ohio-856.

{¶ 2} Campbell's appointed counsel on appeal has filed an *Anders* brief stating he

could find no arguable merit to this appeal. Counsel noted that Foster only applied to

cases on direct appeal at the time the decision was rendered and Campbell's case was not

in direct appeal at the time of that decision. Campbell's appointed counsel also notes that

Campbell did not explain to the trial court why he waited ten years to assert for the first

time that his trial counsel was constitutionally ineffective. Certainly, trial counsel could not

have anticipated the sentencing-jury issue first decided by the United States Supreme

Court in Apprendi v. New Jersey, 530 U.S. 466, 120 S.Ct. 2348 (2000).

{¶ 3} Campbell was notified on April 17, 2008, that his appointed counsel could

find no arguable merit to this appeal. He was given sixty (60) days to file his own brief,

which he has not done. We have examined the record and find no basis for believing the

trial court erred in denying the relief Campbell sought. The Judgment of the trial court is

Affirmed.

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WOLFF, P.J., and DONOVAN, J., concur.

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