Court of Appeals of Ohio

EIGHTH APPELLATE DISTRICT COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

JOURNAL ENTRY AND OPINION No. 95096

STATE OF OHIO

PLAINTIFF-APPELLEE

VS.

WILLIAM WRIGHT

DEFENDANT-APPELLANT

JUDGMENT: AFFIRMED

Criminal Appeal from the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas Case No. CR-508029

BEFORE: Stewart, P.J., Cooney, J., and Keough, J.

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MELODY J. STEWART, P.J.:

{¶ 1} Defendant-appellant, William Wright, appeals from a resentencing ordered by this court at which the state of Ohio elected to have Wright sentenced on one of four allied child endangering counts. Through assigned counsel, he complains that the court abused its discretion by imposing the maximum term of incarceration and that the court

should have imposed the minimum sentence because he had not previously served a prison term. He also raises five pro se assignments of error.

- {¶ 2} A jury found Wright guilty of four counts of child endangering. On direct appeal, we affirmed his convictions in all respects but remanded for resentencing because the four child endangering counts were allied offenses. See *State v. Wright*, 8th Dist. No. 92594, 2010-Ohio-243. On remand, the state elected to have Wright sentenced on Count 1, a second degree felony. The court imposed the maximum prison term of eight years the same sentence it had originally imposed on that count.
- {¶ 3} In *State v. Foster*, 109 Ohio St.3d 1, 2006-Ohio-856, 845 N.E.2d 470, the supreme court held that "[t]rial courts have full discretion to impose a prison sentence within the statutory range and are no longer required to make findings or give their reasons for imposing maximum, consecutive, or more than the minimum sentences." Id. at paragraph seven of the syllabus. The court need only consider the sentencing factors contained in R.C. 2929.11(A), which states that a trial court that sentences an offender for a felony conviction must be guided by the overriding purposes of felony sentencing: "to protect the public from future crimes by the offender and others and to punish the offender." Id. Under R.C. 2929.11(B), a felony sentence must be reasonably calculated to achieve the purposes set forth under R.C. 2929.11(A), commensurate with and not demeaning to the seriousness of the crime and its impact on the victim, and consistent with sentences imposed for similar crimes committed by similar offenders. Id.

- {¶4} The court's sentencing entry states that it considered "all required factors of the law" and that a prison term "is consistent with the purpose of R.C. 2929.11." The court's recitation that it considered the required statutory factors, without more, is sufficient to fulfill its obligations under the statute. *State v. Payne*, 114 Ohio St.3d 502, 2007-Ohio-4642, 873 N.E.2d 306, ¶18; *State v. Braxton*, 8th Dist. No. 90273, 2008-Ohio-3083, ¶6.
- {¶5} The court did, however, state on the record during sentencing that it reviewed the facts produced at trial and clearly recalled the injuries suffered by the victim, finding that Wright's acts constituted the "worst form of the offense" of child endangering. The court plainly concluded that Wright's acts were of a kind that would make a minimum sentence demeaning to the seriousness of the crime, thus leading the court to impose the maximum sentence. The first and second assignments of error are overruled.
- {¶6} Wright also sets forth five pro se assignments of error: (1) his pretrial speedy trial rights were violated; (2) the court lacked jurisdiction because the complaint filed against him failed to contain a jurat as required by Crim.R. 3; (3) the court erred by overruling his pretrial motion to suppress evidence; (4) the court should have dismissed the charges against him because he was charged in multiplications indictments; and (5) his resentencing constituted an unreasonable delay in imposing sentence under Crim.R. 32(A).

{¶7} We summarily overrule the first, second, third, and fourth pro se assignments of error because those issues were either raised and rejected in Wright's direct appeal or could have been raised on direct appeal and are thus res judicata. *State*

v. Perry (1967), 10 Ohio St.2d 175, 226 N.E.2d 104, paragraph nine of the syllabus.

{¶8} We likewise summarily overrule the fifth pro se assignment of error

because the Crim.R. 32(A) requirement that "[s]entence shall be imposed without

unnecessary delay" is not applicable to resentencings. See State v. McQueen, 8th Dist.

No. 91370, 2009-Ohio-1085, ¶4.

Judgment affirmed.

It is ordered that appellee recover of appellant its costs herein taxed.

The court finds there were reasonable grounds for this appeal.

It is ordered that a special mandate issue out of this court directing the Cuyahoga

County Court of Common Pleas to carry this judgment into execution. The defendant's

conviction having been affirmed, any bail pending appeal is terminated. Case remanded

to the trial court for execution of sentence.

A certified copy of this entry shall constitute the mandate pursuant to Rule 27 of

the Rules of Appellate Procedure.