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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF NORTH CAROLINA

No. COA15-794

Filed: 15 March 2016

Forsyth County, Nos. 14 CR 54171-72

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

v.

RONALD AUDRA INGRAM

Appeal by Defendant from judgment entered 18 December 2014 by Judge Lisa

V. L. Menefee in Forsyth County District Court. Heard in the Court of Appeals 29

February 2016.

Attorney General Roy Cooper, by Assistant Attorney General Tiffany Y. Lucas,

for the State.

Winifred H. Dillon for Defendant.

STEPHENS, Judge.

Defendant Ronald Audra Ingram appeals from a judgment entered upon his

guilty plea to three charges arising from an assault on his girlfriend. We affirm.

On 30 April 2014, Ingram was arrested after a domestic altercation in which

he punched, kicked, strangled, tackled, and dragged his girlfriend around her

residence. On 18 December 2014, Ingram pled guilty pursuant to a plea arrangement

to one count each of assault by strangulation, assault on a female, and interfering

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with emergency communications. Consistent with the terms of the plea arrangement, the trial court consolidated the offenses for judgment and sentenced Ingram to a mitigated sentence of 6-17 months imprisonment. Ingram appeals.

Counsel appointed to represent Ingram in his appeal has been unable to identify any issue with sufficient merit to support a meaningful argument for relief and asks that this Court conduct its own review of the record for possible prejudicial error. Further, counsel is unable to direct this Court's attention to anything in the record that might arguably support Ingram's appeal. Counsel has shown to the satisfaction of this Court that she has complied with the requirements of *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 18 L. Ed. 2d 493 (1967), and *State v. Kinch*, 314 N.C. 99, 331 S.E.2d 665 (1985), by advising Ingram of his right to file written arguments with this Court and providing him with the documents necessary to do so.

Ingram has not filed any written arguments on his own behalf with this Court, and a reasonable time for him to do so has expired. In accordance with *Anders*, we have fully examined the record to determine whether any issues of arguable merit appear therefrom. Having been unable to find any possible prejudicial error, we conclude that Ingram's appeal is wholly frivolous.

## AFFIRMED.

Judges BRYANT and CALABRIA concur.

Report per Rule 30(e).