IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

No. 36942

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ALFRED ALLEN CASSIDY, Appellant, vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent.

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Respondent.

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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

These are consolidated appeals from judgments of conviction, pursuant to guilty pleas, of two counts of possession of stolen property. The district court sentenced appellant to serve two consecutive terms of 15 to 72 months in prison.

Appellant's sole contention is that this court should review the sentence imposed and remand for resentencing because the district court may have misunderstood the length of time that appellant would have to serve if the court had imposed concurrent sentences. We conclude that this contention lacks merit.

This court has consistently afforded the district court wide discretion in its sentencing decision. <u>See</u> Houk v. State, 103 Nev. 659, 747 P.2d 1376 (1987). Accordingly, we will refrain from interfering with the sentence imposed "[s]o long as the record does not demonstrate prejudice resulting from consideration of information or accusations founded on facts supported only by impalpable or highly suspect evidence." Silks v. State, 92 Nev. 91, 94, 545 P.2d 1159, 1161 (1976).

In the instant cases, appellant does not allege that the district court relied on impalpable or highly suspect evidence. Moreover, it is within the district court's discretion to impose consecutive sentences. <u>See NRS 176.035(1);</u> Warden v. Peters, 83 Nev. 298, 429 P.2d 549 (1967). The record does not support the assertion that the district court did not understand the minimum sentence that appellant would have to serve if the court imposed concurrent sentences. We conclude that the district court did not abuse its discretion by imposing consecutive sentences.

Having considered appellant's contention and concluded that it lacks merit, we affirm the judgments of conviction.

It is so ORDERED.

J. Shearing J. J. Leavit

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