IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

DONALD PALMER,

Appellant,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

No. 38704

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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

This is an appeal from a judgment of conviction, pursuant to a guilty plea, of one count of robbery with the use of a firearm. The district court sentenced appellant to a prison term of 35 to 156 months, with an equal and consecutive term for the use of a firearm.

Appellant's sole contention is that the district court abused its discretion at sentencing because the sentence is too harsh. We conclude that appellant's contention is without merit.

This court has consistently afforded the district court wide discretion in its sentencing decision.¹ This court 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

¹See Houk v. State, 103 Nev. 659, 747 P.2d 1376 (1987).

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA suspect evidence."² Moreover, a sentence within the statutory limits is not cruel and unusual punishment where the statute itself is constitutional, and the sentence is not so unreasonably disproportionate as to shock the conscience.³

In the instant case, appellant does not allege that the district court relied on impalpable or highly suspect evidence or that the relevant statutes are unconstitutional. Further, we note that the sentence imposed was within the parameters provided by the relevant statutes.⁴

Having considered appellant's contention and concluded that it is without merit, we

ORDER the judgment of conviction AFFIRMED.

J. Shearing J. Rose

J.

²Silks v. State, 92 Nev. 91, 94, 545 P.2d 1159, 1161 (1976).

³<u>Blume v. State</u>, 112 Nev. 472, 475, 915 P.2d 282, 284 (1996) (quoting <u>Culverson v. State</u>, 95 Nev. 433, 435, 596 P.2d 220, 221-22 (1979)).

⁴<u>See</u> NRS 200.380(2); NRS 193.165(1).

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