IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

GRADY ONZO MULLINS, Appellant, vs. THE STATE OF NEVADA, Respondent. No. 39632

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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE



This is an appeal from a judgment of conviction, pursuant to a guilty plea, of two counts of attempted sexual assault, two counts of battery with intent to commit a crime, two counts of coercion, one count of indecent exposure, and one count of open or gross lewdness. The district court sentenced appellant Grady Onzo Mullins to serve terms totaling approximately 77 years in the Nevada State Prison. This appeal followed.

Mullins argues that because he may not have been sane when he attacked the numerous female victims, the district court improperly denied his request for a neuropsychological examination at public expense. We conclude that because Mullins pleaded guilty to the offenses, he may not raise this claim now on appeal. The decision to enter a guilty plea bars an appellant from raising independent claims charging the deprivation of constitutional rights that preceded the entry of his guilty plea.¹

We also note that the district court declared Mullins competent to stand trial. The district court also stated, however, it would

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¹<u>See Williams v. State</u>, 103 Nev. 227, 737 P.2d 508 (1987); <u>Webb v. State</u>, 91 Nev. 469, 538 P.2d 164 (1975).

reconsider Mullins's request for a neuropsychological exam if Mullins could show more of a justification for the exam beyond that it "might" show some connection between his inappropriate sexual compulsions, his purported alcohol intoxication at the time he committed the offenses, and a brain injury he sustained in high school. At that point in time, however, Mullins had already received a psychologist's evaluation at public expense. Mullins did not provide any additional information to support his need for the neuropsychological exam, and he proceeded to plead guilty rather than pursuing an insanity defense at trial.

Having considered Mullins's claim and concluded that it is improperly raised and lacks merit, we

ORDER the judgment of conviction AFFIRMED.2

Young, C.J.

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cc: Hon. Kathy A. Hardcastle, District Judge Paul E. Wommer Attorney General/Carson City Clark County District Attorney Clark County Clerk

²We have considered all proper person documents filed or received in this matter, and we conclude that the relief requested is not warranted.