SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK Appellate Division, Fourth Judicial Department

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KA 23-00824

PRESENT: SMITH, J.P., BANNISTER, MONTOUR, NOWAK, AND DELCONTE, JJ.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, RESPONDENT,

V

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

JERRELL ROSS, DEFENDANT-APPELLANT.

DANIEL M. GRIEBEL, TONAWANDA, FOR DEFENDANT-APPELLANT.

JOHN J. FLYNN, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, BUFFALO (MICHAEL J. HILLERY OF COUNSEL), FOR RESPONDENT.

Appeal from a judgment of the Erie County Court (Susan M. Eagan, J.), rendered March 8, 2023. The judgment convicted defendant upon his plea of guilty of arson in the third degree.

It is hereby ORDERED that the judgment so appealed from is unanimously affirmed.

Memorandum: On appeal from a judgment convicting him upon his plea of guilty of arson in the third degree (Penal Law § 150.10 [1]), defendant contends that his waiver of the right to appeal is invalid and that his sentence is unduly harsh and severe. Even assuming, arguendo, that defendant's waiver of the right to appeal is invalid and thus does not preclude our review of his challenge to the severity of his sentence (see People v Love, 181 AD3d 1193, 1193 [4th Dept 2020]), we conclude that the negotiated sentence is not unduly harsh or severe.

Entered: July 26, 2024 Ann Dillon Flynn Clerk of the Court