

**IN THE COURT OF APPEALS
FIRST APPELLATE DISTRICT OF OHIO
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

STATE OF OHIO,	:	APPEAL NO. C-080373
	:	TRIAL NO. B-0700987-A
Plaintiff-Appellee,	:	
	:	<i>JUDGMENT ENTRY.</i>
vs.	:	
RUSSELL BRAVARD,	:	
	:	
Defendant-Appellant.	:	

We consider this appeal on the accelerated calendar, and this judgment entry is not an opinion of the court.¹

In exchange for defendant-appellant Russell Bravard's guilty pleas to aggravated robbery and an accompanying firearm specification, failure to comply with an order or signal of a police officer, and two counts of vehicular assault, the state dismissed charges of felonious assault and receiving stolen property, as well as three firearm specifications. The trial court sentenced Bravard to an aggregate prison term of eight years.

Pursuant to *Anders v. California*,² Bravard's appointed appellate counsel has advised this court that, after a thorough review of the record, he can find nothing that would arguably support Bravard's appeal. Consequently, counsel has sought to withdraw from representation and requests that this court, consistent with *Anders*,

¹ See S.Ct.R.Rep.Op. 3(A), App.R. 11.1(E), and Loc.R. 12.

² (1967), 386 U.S. 738, 87 S.Ct. 1396.

independently review the record to determine whether the proceedings below were free of prejudicial error.

As required by *Anders*, counsel has given Bravard an opportunity to provide grounds for appeal. Bravard has not raised any errors for our review.

After examining the entire record, we are satisfied that counsel has provided Bravard with a diligent and thorough review of the record and has correctly concluded that the proceedings below were free of prejudicial error. Consequently, we hold that Bravard's appeal is wholly frivolous. We overrule counsel's motion to withdraw and affirm the judgment of the trial court.

Although we have concluded that this appeal is frivolous pursuant to App.R. 23 and is without "reasonable cause" under R.C. 2505.35, we refrain from taxing costs and expenses against Bravard because it is clear from the record that he is indigent.

Further, a certified copy of this Judgment Entry shall constitute the mandate, which shall be sent to the trial court under App.R. 27.

HENDON, P.J., HILDEBRANDT and DINKELACKER, JJ.

To the Clerk:

Enter upon the Journal of the Court on January 28, 2009
per order of the Court _____.
Presiding Judge