

United States Court of Appeals
For the Eighth Circuit

No. 26-1257

United States of America

Plaintiff - Appellee

v.

Jamaal A. McNeil

Defendant - Appellant

Appeal from United States District Court
for the District of Nebraska - Lincoln

Submitted: September 29, 2026

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Before LOKEN, KELLY, and JUSTIN D. SMITH, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Jamaal McNeil appeals after the district court¹ convicted him of a drug offense following a bench trial. His counsel has moved for leave to withdraw, and has filed a brief under Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), challenging the sentence. McNeil has filed a pro se brief challenging the denial of his suppression motions and his conviction.

Upon careful review, we conclude that the district court did not err by denying the motions to suppress, as law enforcement had reasonable suspicion to conduct a traffic stop, and probable cause to search McNeil's vehicle and apartment. See United States v. Holly, 983 F.3d 361, 363 (8th Cir. 2020) (standard of review).

We further conclude that McNeil's conviction was supported by sufficient evidence, including his own admission that he possessed methamphetamine which he distributed to others, and that his conduct was not immunized by any provision of state law. See Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-4308; United States v. Monteer, 83 F.4th 1119, 1122 (8th Cir. 2023) (standard of review).

As to the argument in the Anders brief, we conclude that the district court did not impose a substantively unreasonable sentence, as the court properly considered the factors listed in 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a) and did not err in weighing the relevant factors. See United States v. Feemster, 572 F.3d 455, 461-62 (8th Cir. 2009) (standard of review); United States v. Callaway, 762 F.3d 754, 760 (8th Cir. 2014).

¹The Honorable Susan M. Bazis, United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, adopting the report and recommendations of the Honorable Jacqueline M. DeLuca, United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Nebraska.

We have also independently reviewed the record under Penson v. Ohio, 488 U.S. 75 (1988), and we find no non-frivolous issues for appeal. Accordingly, we affirm the judgment, and grant counsel's motion to withdraw.
