

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 53304

STATE OF IDAHO,	)	
	)	Filed: October 15, 2026
Plaintiff-Respondent,	)	
	)	Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk
v.	)	
	)	THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED
IGNACIO SAVON GOODLETT,	)	OPINION AND SHALL NOT
	)	BE CITED AS AUTHORITY
Defendant-Appellant.	)	

Appeal from the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District, State of Idaho, Twin Falls County. Hon. Benjamin J. Cluff, District Judge.

Order relinquishing jurisdiction, affirmed.

Erik R. Lehtinen, State Appellate Public Defender; Kierra W. Mai, Deputy Appellate Public Defender, Boise, for appellant.

Hon. Raúl R. Labrador, Attorney General; Kacey L. Jones, Deputy Attorney General, Boise, for respondent.

Before LORELLO, Judge; FLEMING, Judge
and PETTY, Judge

PER CURIAM

Ignacio Savon Goodlett pled guilty to felony driving under the influence, Idaho Code §§ 18-8004(1)(a), -8005(6). In exchange for his guilty plea, the State agreed to recommend a unified sentence of five years with three years determinate and that the district court retain jurisdiction. At sentencing, Goodlett requested to be placed on a term of probation with an underlying unified sentence of five years with two years determinate. The district court sentenced Goodlett to a unified sentence of five years, with a minimum period of confinement of three years, and retained jurisdiction.

Following a period of retained jurisdiction, the district court relinquished jurisdiction and imposed a reduced sentence of five years, with a minimum period of incarceration of two years,

pursuant to Idaho Criminal Rule 35.¹ Goodlett appeals, contending that the district court abused its discretion in relinquishing jurisdiction instead of granting probation.

The decision to place a defendant on probation or whether, instead, to relinquish jurisdiction over the defendant is a matter within the sound discretion of the district court and will not be overturned on appeal absent an abuse of that discretion. *State v. Hood*, 102 Idaho 711, 712, 639 P.2d 9, 10 (1981); *State v. Lee*, 117 Idaho 203, 205-06, 786 P.2d 594, 596-97 (Ct. App. 1990). The record in this case shows that the district court held a hearing and properly considered the information before it and determined that probation was not appropriate. We hold that Goodlett has failed to show that the district court abused its discretion in relinquishing jurisdiction.

The order of the district court relinquishing jurisdiction is affirmed.

¹ At the retained jurisdiction review hearing, the State requested that the district court relinquish jurisdiction, but that the court reconsider its sentence pursuant to Idaho Criminal Rule 35 and impose five years, with two years determinate. The district court's amendment of Goodlett's sentence is not challenged on appeal.