

Commonwealth Of Kentucky
Court of Appeals

NO. 2003-CA-001144-MR

ANTHONY A. HOGUE, JR.

APPELLANT

v. APPEAL FROM HENDERSON CIRCUIT COURT
HONORABLE STEPHEN A. HAYDEN, JUDGE
ACTION NO. 03-CR-00043

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

APPELLEE

OPINION
AFFIRMING

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BEFORE: BARBER, BUCKINGHAM, AND HENRY, JUDGES.

BUCKINGHAM, JUDGE: Anthony A. Hogue, Jr., appeals from an order of the Henderson Circuit Court denying his motion to withdraw his guilty pleas to criminal charges. His appeal is not supported by any credible argument, and we thus affirm.

Pursuant to a plea agreement with the Commonwealth, Hogue pled guilty to the crime of unlawful distribution of methamphetamine precursor and of being a second-degree persistent felony offender. Prior to being sentenced to five years in prison on the charges, Hogue orally moved the court to allow him to withdraw his guilty pleas. The court denied the

motion, and Hogue filed this appeal following the entry of the judgment convicting and sentencing him for the crimes.

Hogue is represented on appeal, and his counsel has submitted a brief pursuant to Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738, 87 S.Ct. 1396, 18 L.Ed.2d 493 (1967). Counsel concedes that there appears to be no meritorious basis for the appeal. We agree.

When Hogue moved to withdraw his guilty pleas, he argued that the trial judge had failed to take an oath of office and to personally post a bond. Hogue's arguments are vague and illogical and are not supported by any credible facts or authority. This appeal is clearly without any merit whatsoever.

The order of the Henderson Circuit Court is affirmed.

ALL CONCUR.

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