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

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PRESENT: WHALEN, P.J., CARNI, NEMOYER, CURRAN, AND TROUTMAN, JJ.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, RESPONDENT,

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MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

ROBERT L. JONES, DEFENDANT-APPELLANT.

TIMOTHY P. DONAHER, PUBLIC DEFENDER, ROCHESTER (DAVID R. JUERGENS OF COUNSEL), FOR DEFENDANT-APPELLANT.

SANDRA DOORLEY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ROCHESTER (STEPHEN X. O'BRIEN OF COUNSEL), FOR RESPONDENT.

Appeal from a judgment of the Monroe County Court (James J. Piampiano, J.), rendered October 2, 2014. The judgment convicted defendant, upon his plea of guilty, of criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree.

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

Memorandum: Defendant appeals from a judgment convicting him, upon his plea of guilty, of criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree (Penal Law § 265.03 [3]). Contrary to defendant's contention, the record establishes that defendant knowingly, voluntarily and intelligently waived the right to appeal (see People v Taggart, 124 AD3d 1362, 1362; see generally People v Lopez, 6 NY3d 248, 256), and that valid waiver by its terms forecloses any challenge by defendant to the severity of the sentence (see Lopez, 6 NY3d at 255; see generally People v Hidalgo, 91 NY2d 733, 737). Although County Court failed to apprise defendant of the maximum sentence he could receive upon his conviction, " 'the requirement that a defendant be apprised of [the] maximum sentence in order for a waiver to be valid does not apply in a situation such as this[,] where there is a specific sentence promise at the time of the waiver' " (People v Semple, 23 AD3d 1058, 1059, lv denied 6 NY3d 852; see People v Brown, 115 AD3d 1204, 1206, *lv denied* 23 NY3d 1060).

Entered: April 28, 2017 Frances E. Cafarell Clerk of the Court