

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 97-20559
Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

FLOYD COLEMAN,

Defendant-Appellant.

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Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Southern District of Texas
USDC No. H-90-CR-303-2
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April 19, 1999

Before JONES, SMITH, and DUHÉ, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Floyd Coleman, federal prisoner #54809-079, appeals the district court's denial of his 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c) motion to modify sentence. Although we apply less stringent standards to parties proceeding *pro se* than to parties represented by counsel and liberally construe the briefs of *pro se* litigants, *pro se* parties must still brief the issues and reasonably comply with the requirements of Fed. R. App. P. 28. *Grant v. Cuellar*, 59 F.3d 523, 524 (5th Cir. 1995). Because Coleman does not address

* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

the district court's dismissal of his § 3582(c) motion, he has abandoned the only issue on appeal. See *Brinkmann v. Dallas County Deputy Sheriff Abner*, 813 F.2d 744, 748 (5th Cir. 1987); see *Yohey v. Collins*, 985 F.2d 222, 225 (5th Cir. 1993).

Coleman's appeal is without arguable merit and is frivolous. See *Howard v. King*, 707 F.2d 215, 219-20 (5th Cir. 1983).

Because the appeal is frivolous, it is dismissed. See 5TH CIR. R. 42.2. We caution Coleman that any additional frivolous appeals filed by him or on his behalf will invite the imposition of sanctions. To avoid sanctions, Coleman should review any pending appeals to ensure that they do not raise arguments that are frivolous.

APPEAL DISMISSED AS FRIVOLOUS; SANCTION WARNING ISSUED.