## IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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No. 06-11212 Summary Calendar

Charles R. Fulbruge III
Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff-Appellee

V.

ARMANDO NAVARRETE

Defendant-Appellant

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas USDC No. 3:05-CR-122-2

Before KING, DAVIS, and CLEMENT, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:\*

The Federal Public Defender appointed to represent Armando Navarrete has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a brief in accordance with Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Navarrete has filed a response, in which he asserts that appellate counsel was ineffective for failing to argue that Navarrete is not a career offender because his prior convictions were de facto consolidated. Navarrete's ineffective assistance claim is without merit. See United States v.

<sup>\*</sup> 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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.

Hayes, <u>342 F.3d 385, 388</u> (5th Cir. 2003). Our independent review of the record, counsel's brief, and Navarrete's response discloses no nonfrivolous issue for appeal. Accordingly, counsel's motion for leave to withdraw is GRANTED, counsel is excused from further responsibilities herein, and the APPEAL IS DISMISSED. See 5TH CIR. R. 42.2.