

June 16, 2003

Charles R. Fulbruge III
Clerk

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 02-21248
Summary Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

ANDRE ESTER,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Southern District of Texas
USDC No. H-02-CR-307-1

Before HIGGINBOTHAM, SMITH, and CLEMENT, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Appointed counsel for Andre Ester has requested leave to withdraw as counsel and has filed a brief in accordance with Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Ester has not filed a response. Our independent review of the brief and the record discloses no nonfrivolous issue. Accordingly, counsel's motion for leave to withdraw is GRANTED, counsel is excused from further responsibilities, and the appeal is DISMISSED. See 5TH CIR. R. 42.2.

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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