

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 02-50796
Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

JAMES RONNIE STEPAN, SR.,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Western District of Texas
USDC No. W-02-CR-30-1

February 20, 2003

Before WIENER, EMILIO M. GARZA, and CLEMENT, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Court-appointed counsel for James Ronnie Stepan, Sr., has filed a motion to withdraw as counsel and a brief in accordance with Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Stepan has not filed a response. Our independent review of the record and counsel's brief discloses no nonfrivolous issue. Accordingly, counsel's motion 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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.