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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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No. 02-51098 Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

CURTIS REUBEN WASHINGTON,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas USDC No. W-02-CR-97-1

Before DAVIS, BARKSDALE, and STEWART, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:\*

Court-appointed counsel for Curtis Reuben Washington has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a brief pursuant to <u>Anders v. California</u>, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Washington has received a copy of counsel's motion and brief and has submitted a <u>pro se</u> response. Our review of the pleadings filed by counsel and Washington and of the record discloses no nonfrivolous issue for appeal. Accordingly, the motion for leave to withdraw is GRANTED, counsel is excused from further responsibilities, and the APPEAL IS DISMISSED. <u>See</u> 5TH CIR. R. 42.2.

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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