

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT**

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No. 13-10050  
Conference Calendar

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United States Court of Appeals  
Fifth Circuit

**FILED**

December 17, 2013

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Lyle W. Cayce  
Clerk

Plaintiff-Appellee

v.

CHRISTOPHER EARL RYMAN, also known as Christopher Fred Ryman,

Defendant-Appellant

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Northern District of Texas  
USDC No. 3:11-CR-250-38

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Before DAVIS, DENNIS, and CLEMENT, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

The attorney appointed to represent Christopher Earl Ryman has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a brief in accordance with *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), and *United States v. Flores*, 632 F.3d 229 (5th Cir. 2011). Ryman has filed responses. The record is insufficiently developed to allow consideration at this time of Ryman's claim of ineffective assistance of counsel; such a claim generally "cannot be resolved on direct appeal when the

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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

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claim has not been raised before the district court since no opportunity existed to develop the record on the merits of the allegations.” *United States v. Cantwell*, 470 F.3d 1087, 1091 (5th Cir. 2006) (internal quotation marks and citation omitted). We have reviewed counsel’s brief and the relevant portions of the record reflected therein, as well as Ryman’s responses. We concur with counsel’s assessment that the appeal presents no nonfrivolous issue for appellate review. Accordingly, the 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. Ryman’s motion to relieve counsel and appoint substitute counsel is DENIED.