IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 97-41498 Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

JOSE ALBERTO VENTURA-GONZALES,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas USDC No. B-97-CR-274-1 October 20, 1998

Before POLITZ, Chief Judge, and WIENER and DENNIS, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:*

Court-appointed counsel for Jose Alberto Ventura-Gonzales has filed a brief as required by <u>Anders v. California</u>, 386 U.S. 738, 744, (1967), and we have independently reviewed counsel's brief and the record and have found no nonfrivolous issue. Accordingly, counsel is excused from further responsibilities herein, 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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.