IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

> No. 98-11156 Conference Calendar

ALVIN RAY COOPER,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

GILBERT CARLOS, Correctional Officer; TERRY MITCHELL, Correctional Officer,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas USDC No. 2:98-CV-170

August 26, 1999

Before KING, Chief Judge, and JOLLY and DAVIS, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:\*

Alvin Cooper (Texas prisoner #534218) seeks to appeal <u>in</u> <u>forma pauperis</u> (IFP) the dismissal of his civil rights complaint under the "three strikes" provision of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g). Cooper does not challenge the district court's determination that, on at least three prior occasions while incarcerated, he has brought an action or appeal in a United States court that has been dismissed as frivolous and/or for failure to state a claim. Instead, he argues that he falls within the "imminent danger"

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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

exception of § 1915(g).

A review of the record and Cooper's appellate brief reveals that he has failed to establish that he was "under imminent danger of serious physical injury" at the time that he filed his notice of appeal IFP. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g); <u>Baños v. O'Guin</u>, 144 F.3d 883, 885 (5th Cir. 1998). Accordingly, his IFP status is DECERTIFIED, and his appeal is DISMISSED. <u>See id.</u> Should Cooper wish to reinstate his appeal, he has 30 days from the date of this opinion to pay the full appellate filing fee to the clerk of the district court. <u>See id.</u>

IFP DECERTIFIED. APPEAL DISMISSED.