

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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No. 98-40587  
Conference Calendar

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

FRANCISCO T. ALVARADO,

Defendant-Appellant.

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Southern District of Texas  
USDC No. B-97-CR-243-2  
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June 17, 1999

Before EMILIO M. GARZA, BENAVIDES, and PARKER, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

Court-appointed counsel for Francisco T. Alvarado, the federal public defender (FPD), has filed a motion and brief as required by Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Alvarado has not filed a response. Our independent review of counsel's brief and the record discloses no nonfrivolous issue.

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.

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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