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

No. 98-40917 Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

JOSE VIRGILIO ZELAYA-RAMIREZ,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas USDC No. B-98-CR-244-1

April 16, 1999

Before JONES, SMITH, and DUHÉ, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

Court-appointed counsel for Jose Virgilio Zelaya-Ramirez has moved to withdraw and filed a brief as required by <u>Anders v.</u>

<u>California</u>, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Zelaya-Ramirez has not filed a response. Our independent review of the brief and the record discloses no nonfrivolous issue. Accordingly, counsel's motion to withdraw is GRANTED. Counsel is excused from further responsibilities herein, 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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.