IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 01-41031 Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

SANTOS BENITES-PINEDA,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas USDC No. H-01-CR-340-1

August 20, 2002

Before HIGGINBOTHAM, DAVIS, and PARKER, Circuit Judges.
PER CURIAM:*

The Federal Public Defender appointed to represent Santos
Benites-Fineda has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a
brief as required by <u>Anders v. California</u>, 386 U.S. 738 (1967).
Benites-Fineda has not filed a response. Our independent review
of the brief and the record discloses no nonfrivolous issue.
Accordingly, counsel's motion for leave to withdraw is GRANTED,

 $^{^{*}}$ 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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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counsel is excused from further responsibilities herein, and the APPEAL IS DISMISSED. See 5th Cir. R. 42.2.