## United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

No. 24-40439 Summary Calendar United States Court of Appeals
Fifth Circuit

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff—Appellee,

versus

JAMES WALKER WATSON, JR.,

Defendant—Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas USDC No. 4:22-CR-125-1

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Before RICHMAN, DOUGLAS, and RAMIREZ, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

The attorney appointed to represent James Walker Watson, Jr., has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a brief in accordance with *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), and *United States v. Flores*, 632 F.3d 229 (5th Cir. 2011). Watson has filed a response. The record is not sufficiently developed to allow us to make a fair evaluation of Watson's claims of

<sup>\*</sup> This opinion is not designated for publication. See 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.

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ineffective assistance of counsel; we therefore decline to consider the claims without prejudice to collateral review. *See United States v. Isgar*, 739 F.3d 829, 841 (5th Cir. 2014).

We have reviewed counsel's brief and the relevant portions of the record reflected therein, as well as Watson's response. We concur with counsel's assessment that the appeal presents no nonfrivolous issue for appellate review. 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.