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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

MARCO ANTONIO OCHOA-GONZALEZ,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 15-10133

D.C. No. 2:14-cr-00164-DGC

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Arizona David G. Campbell, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted June 14, 2016**

Before: BEA, WATFORD, and FRIEDLAND, Circuit Judges.

Marco Antonio Ochoa-Gonzalez appeals from the district court's judgment and challenges his guilty-plea conviction and 70-month sentence for possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)

^{*} This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

^{**} The panel unanimously concludes this case is suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

and (b)(1)(C). Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Ochoa-Gonzalez's counsel has filed a brief stating that there are no grounds for relief, along with a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. We have provided Ochoa-Gonzalez the opportunity to file a pro se supplemental brief. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief has been filed.

Ochoa-Gonzalez waived his right to appeal his conviction and sentence. Our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80 (1988), discloses no arguable issue as to the validity of the waiver. *See United States v. Watson*, 582 F.3d 974, 986-88 (9th Cir. 2009). We accordingly dismiss the appeal. *See id.* at 988.

Counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED.**

DISMISSED.

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