IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

PORFIRIO AYALA-CASTANEDA,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia

(July 1, 2011)

Before CARNES, BARKETT and MARCUS, Circuit Judges

PER CURIAM:

Jay L. Strongwater, appointed counsel for Porfirio Ayala-Castaneda in this direct criminal appeal, has moved to withdraw from further representation of the appellant and filed a brief pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 87 S.Ct.

1396, 18 L.Ed.2d 493 (1967). Our independent review of the entire record reveals that counsel's assessment of the relative merit of the appeal is correct. Because independent examination of the entire record reveals no arguable issues of merit, counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**, and Ayala-Castaneda's conviction and sentence are **AFFIRMED**.