IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

FILED August 17, 2010

No. 09-40815 Conference Calendar

Lyle W. Cayce Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee

v.

MODESTO MENDIETA,

Defendant-Appellant

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas USDC No. 5:09-CR-322-1

Before DAVIS, SMITH, and WIENER, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:^{*}

The Federal Public Defender appointed to represent Modesto Mendieta has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a brief in accordance with *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Mendieta has not filed a response. Our independent review of the record and counsel's brief discloses no nonfrivolous issue for appeal. Accordingly, counsel's 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. Mendieta's untimely motion for appointment of substitute counsel or alternatively for leave to proceed pro se on

 $^{^*}$ Pursuant to 5th Cir. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5th Cir. R. 47.5.4.

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appeal is DENIED. See United States v. Wagner, 158 F.3d 901, 902-03 (5th Cir. 1998).