## United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

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No. 22-40506 Summary Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff—Appellee,

versus

JOEL MENDEZ, JR.,

Defendant—Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas USDC No. 2:22-CR-123-1

Before WIENER, ELROD, and ENGELHARDT, *Circuit Judges*. PER CURIAM:<sup>\*</sup>

The Federal Public Defender appointed to represent Joel Mendez, 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). Mendez has not filed a response. We have reviewed counsel's brief and the relevant portions of the record reflected therein. We

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concur with counsel's assessment that the appeal presents no nonfrivolous issue for appellate review. 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.