UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

SIMETI LUALEMAGA,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 11-10363

D.C. No. 1:10-cr-00116-DAE

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii David A. Ezra, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted April 17, 2012**

Before: LEAVY, PAEZ, and BEA, Circuit Judges.

Simeti Lualemaga appeals from his jury-trial conviction and 60-month

sentence for assault of a United States government employee with a deadly

weapon, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 111.

* 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).

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

Our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80-81 (1988), discloses no arguable grounds for relief on direct appeal.

Accordingly, counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**, and the district court's judgment is **AFFIRMED**.