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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

JOEL ALEXIS ROMERO-GIRON,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 13-10162

D.C. No. 4:12-cr-00924-JGZ

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the District of Arizona
Jennifer G. Zipps, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted June 12, 2014**

Before: McKEOWN, WARDLAW, and M. SMITH, Circuit Judges.

Joel Alexis Romero-Giron appeals from the district court's judgment and challenges his jury-trial conviction and 51-month sentence for reentry after deportation, in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326. Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Romero-Giron's counsel has filed a brief stating that there are no

* 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).

grounds for relief, along with a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. We have provided Romero-Giron 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 (1988), discloses no arguable grounds for relief on direct appeal.

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

Romero-Giron's pro se motion for appointment of new counsel is **DENIED**.

The government's motion to allow late filing of the *Anders* letter is **GRANTED**.

AFFIRMED.