

## In The Court of Appeals Fifth District of Texas at Dallas

No. 05-17-00034-CR

JOSEPH TODD SMITH, Appellant V.
THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee

On Appeal from the 366th Judicial District Court Collin County, Texas Trial Court Cause No. 366-80590-2016

## **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

Before Justices Francis, Fillmore, and Whitehill Opinion by Justice Francis

Joseph Todd Smith was charged in a twelve-count indictment with aggravated sexual assault of a child (count I & II), indecency with a child by sexual contact (counts III, IV, VII, VIII & XI), sexual assault of a child (counts V, VI, IX & X), and sexual performance of a child (count XII). Appellant waived a jury trial and pleaded not guilty to each allegation. After hearing evidence, the trial court found appellant guilty and sentenced him to thirty-five years in prison on counts I and II, and twenty years on counts III through XII). On appeal, appellant's attorney filed a brief in which she concludes the appeal is wholly frivolous and without merit. The brief meets the requirements of *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). The brief presents a professional evaluation of the record showing why, in effect, there are no arguable grounds to advance. *See High v. State*, 573 S.W.2d 807, 812 (Tex. Crim. App. [Panel Op.] 1978) (determining whether

brief meets requirements of Anders). Counsel delivered a copy of the brief to appellant. See Kelly

v. State, 436 S.W.3d 313, 319–21 (Tex. Crim. App. 2014) (noting appellant has right to file pro se

response to Anders brief filed by counsel).

Appellant filed a pro se response raising several issues. After reviewing counsel's brief,

appellant's pro se response, and the record, we agree the appeal is frivolous and without merit.

See Bledsoe v. State, 178 S.W.3d 824, 826–27 (Tex. Crim. App. 2005) (explaining appellate

court's duty in Anders cases). We find nothing in the record that might arguably support the

appeal.

We affirm the trial court's judgments.

/Molly Francis/

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## **JUDGMENT**

JOSEPH TODD SMITH, Appellant On Appeal from the 366th Judicial District

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Opinion delivered by Justice Francis.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee Justices Fillmore and Whitehill

participating.

Based on the Court's opinion of this date, the judgments of the trial court are **AFFIRMED**.

Judgment entered June 29, 2018.