NO. 07-10-00036-CR

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE SEVENTH DISTRICT OF TEXAS

AT AMARILLO

PANEL A

SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

THOMAS OCHOA, APPELLANT

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, APPELLEE

FROM THE 137TH DISTRICT COURT OF LUBBOCK COUNTY;

NO. 2008-420,143; HONORABLE CECIL G. PURYEAR, JUDGE

Before CAMPBELL and HANCOCK and PIRTLE, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Appellant, Thomas Ochoa, appeals from a conviction for two counts of indecency with a child¹ and, sentence of confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for 18 years on each conviction, all confinement to run concurrently. We affirm.

Appellant's attorney has filed an Anders brief and a motion to withdraw. Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738, 87 S.Ct. 1396, 18 L.Ed. 2d 498 (1967). In support of his motion to withdraw, counsel certifies that he has diligently reviewed the record, and in his opinion, the record reflects no reversible error upon which an appeal can be

¹ <u>See</u> TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. § 21.11(a)(1) (Vernon 2009).

predicated. <u>Id.</u> at 744-45. In compliance with <u>High v. State</u>, 573 S.W.2d 807, 813 (Tex.Crim.App. 1978), counsel has candidly discussed why, under the controlling authorities, there is no error in the trial court's judgment. Additionally, counsel has certified that he has provided appellant a copy of the <u>Anders</u> brief and motion to withdraw and appropriately advised appellant of his right to file a *pro se* response in this matter. <u>Stafford v. State</u>, 813 S.W.2d 503, 510 (Tex.Crim.App. 1991). The court has also advised appellant of his right to file a *pro se* response. Appellant has not filed a response.

By his <u>Anders</u> brief, counsel raised a ground that could possibly support an appeal, but concludes the appeal is frivolous. We have reviewed this ground and made an independent review of the entire record to determine whether there are any arguable grounds which might support an appeal. <u>See Penson v. Ohio, 488 U.S. 75, 109 S.Ct. 346, 102 L.Ed.2d 300 (1988); Bledsoe v. State, 178 S.W.3d 824 (Tex.Crim.App. 2005). We have found no such arguable grounds and agree with counsel that the appeal is frivolous.</u>

Accordingly, counsel's motion to withdraw is hereby granted and the trial court's judgment is affirmed.²

Mackey K. Hancock Justice

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² Counsel shall, within five days after this opinion is handed down, send his client a copy of the opinion and judgment, along with notification of appellant's right to file a *pro se* petition for discretionary review. See TEX. R. APP. P. 48.4.