

## NUMBER 13-20-00480-CR

# **COURT OF APPEALS**

### THIRTEENTH DISTRICT OF TEXAS

# **CORPUS CHRISTI – EDINBURG**

JAVIER JASSO SALAZAR JR.,

Appellant,

v.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

Appellee.

On appeal from the 214th District Court of Nueces County, Texas.

# **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

Before Justices Longoria, Hinojosa, and Silva Memorandum Opinion by Justice Longoria

Appellant Javier Jasso Salazar Jr. was indicted for assault involving family violence

with a prior conviction, a third-degree felony. See TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. § 22.01(b)(2)(A).

Appellant entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to five years' incarceration in the

Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, which was probated for

a period of three years. Appellee, the State of Texas, filed a motion to revoke appellant's probation. Appellant entered pleas of "true" to all seven allegations raised in the State's motion. The trial court found that appellant violated his probation and sanctioned appellant to nineteen days in the Nueces County Jail with credit for time served, placed him on "Zero-Tolerance," and on the Mental Health Caseload. Subsequently, the State filed a second motion to revoke appellant's probation. Appellant entered pleas of "true" to six of the eleven alleged violations. The trial court revoked appellant's probation and sentenced him to five years. Appellant's court-appointed counsel has filed an *Anders* brief stating that there are no non-frivolous grounds for appeal. *See Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967). We affirm the trial court's judgment.

#### I. ANDERS BRIEF

Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, appellant's court-appointed appellate counsel filed a brief and a motion to withdraw with this Court, stating that his review of the record yielded no grounds of reversible error upon which an appeal could be predicated. *See id.* Counsel's brief meets the requirements of *Anders* as it presents a professional evaluation demonstrating why there are no arguable grounds to advance on appeal. *See In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d 403, 406 n.9 (Tex. Crim. App. 2008) (orig. proceeding) ("In Texas, an *Anders* brief need not specifically advance 'arguable' points of error if counsel finds none, but it must provide record references to the facts and procedural history and set out pertinent legal authorities." (citing *Hawkins v. State*, 112 S.W.3d 340, 343–44 (Tex. App.—Corpus Christi–Edinburg 2003, no pet.))); *Stafford v. State*, 813 S.W.2d 503, 510 n.3 (Tex. Crim. App. 1991).

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In compliance with *High v. State*, 573 S.W.2d 807, 813 (Tex. Crim. App. [Panel Op.] 1978) and *Kelly v. State*, 436 S.W.3d 313, 319–22 (Tex. Crim. App. 2014), appellant's counsel carefully discussed why, under controlling authority, there is no reversible error in the trial court's judgment. Appellant's counsel also informed this Court in writing that he: (1) notified appellant that counsel has filed an *Anders* brief and a motion to withdraw; (2) provided appellant with copies of both pleadings; (3) informed appellant of his rights to file pro se responses, to review the record prior to filing those responses, and to seek discretionary review if we conclude that the appeal is frivolous; and (4) provided appellant with a form motion for pro se access to the appellate record record that only requires appellant's signature and date with instructions to file the motion within ten days. *See Anders*, 386 U.S. at 744; *Kelly*, 436 S.W.3d at 319–20; *see also In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 408–09. Appellant filed a motion seeking pro se access to the appellate record which was granted on May 5, 2021. An adequate amount of time has passed and appellant has not filed a pro se response.

#### II. INDEPENDENT REVIEW

Upon receiving an *Anders* brief, we must conduct a full examination of all the proceedings to determine whether the case is wholly frivolous. *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80 (1988). We have reviewed the record and counsel's brief, and we have found nothing that would arguably support an appeal. *See Bledsoe v. State*, 178 S.W.3d 824, 827–28 (Tex. Crim. App. 2005) ("Due to the nature of *Anders* briefs, by indicating in the opinion that it considered the issues raised in the briefs and reviewed the record for reversible error but found none, the court of appeals met the requirements of Texas Rule

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of Appellate Procedure 47.1."); Stafford, 813 S.W.2d at 511.

### III. MOTION TO WITHDRAW

In accordance with *Anders*, appellant's counsel has asked this Court for permission to withdraw as counsel. *See Anders*, 386 U.S. at 744; *see also In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 408 n.17. We grant counsel's motion to withdraw. Within five days from the date of this Court's opinion, counsel is ordered to send a copy of this opinion and this Court's judgment to appellant and to advise him of his right to file a petition for discretionary review.<sup>1</sup> *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 48.4; *see also In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 411 n.35; *Ex parte Owens*, 206 S.W.3d 670, 673 (Tex. Crim. App. 2006).

#### IV. CONCLUSION

We affirm the trial court's judgment.

NORA L. LONGORIA Justice

Do not publish. TEX. R. APP. P. 47.2 (b).

Delivered and filed on the 23rd day of June, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> No substitute counsel will be appointed. Should appellant wish to seek further review of this case by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, he must either retain an attorney to file a petition for discretionary review or file a pro se petition for discretionary review. Any petition for discretionary review must be filed within thirty days from the date of either this opinion or the last timely motion for rehearing or timely motion for en banc reconsideration that was overruled by this Court. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 68.2. Any petition for discretionary review must be filed with the Clerk of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. *See id.* R. 68.3. Any petition for discretionary review should comply with the requirements of Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 68.4. *See id.* R. 68.4.