

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 00-40443
Summary Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

ARMON LEWIS PINION,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Eastern District of Texas
USDC No. 1:99-CR-73-1

July 11, 2001

Before EMILIO M. GARZA, STEWART and PARKER, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Counsel appointed to represent Armon Lewis Pinion has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a brief as required by Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Pinion filed a response. Our independent review of the brief and the record discloses no nonfrivolous issue in this direct appeal. Accordingly, the motion for leave to withdraw is GRANTED, counsel is excused from further responsibilities herein, and the APPEAL IS DISMISSED. See 5TH CIR. R. 42.2. Pinion's request for appointment of substitute counsel is DENIED.

* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.