

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 94-10379
Conference Calendar

DANIEL C. GONZALES,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

KATHIE ZUNIGA, Etc., ET AL.,

Defendants-Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of Texas
USDC No. 93-CV-42
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(January 26, 1995)

Before POLITZ, Chief Judge, and HIGGINBOTHAM and DeMOSS,
Circuit Judges

PER CURIAM:*

Barring exceptional circumstances not shown here, we do not review the merits of a final judgment on appeal from the denial of a Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b) motion. Aucoin v. K-Mart Apparel Fashion Corp., 943 F.2d 6, 8 (5th Cir. 1991); Matter of Ta Chi Navigation (Panama) Corp. S.A., 728 F.2d 699, 703 (5th Cir. 1984). The denial of a Rule 60(b) motion is reviewed for an abuse of discretion. First Nationwide Bank v. Summer House Joint Venture, 902 F.2d 1197, 1200 (5th Cir. 1990). Daniel C. Gonzales

* Local Rule 47.5 provides: "The publication of opinions that have no precedential value and merely decide particular cases on the basis of well-settled principles of law imposes needless expense on the public and burdens on the legal profession." Pursuant to that Rule, the Court has determined that this opinion should not be published.

has not briefed the issue whether the district court abused its discretion in denying his motion for relief from judgment. Although we liberally construe pro se briefs, see Haines v. Kerner, 404 U.S. 519, 520, 92 S. Ct. 594, 30 L. Ed. 2d 652 (1972), an argument must be briefed in order for an issue to be preserved. Yohey v. Collins, 985 F.2d 222, 225 (5th Cir. 1993). Issues not briefed are deemed abandoned. Id. at 224-25.

AFFIRMED.