

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 99-40246
Summary Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

VICTOR VEGA, also known
as Eleuterio Palma,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Southern District of Texas
(C-98-CR-265-2)

August 30, 1999

Before POLITZ, WIENER, and STEWART, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Court-appointed counsel for Victor Vega has moved to withdraw and filed a brief as required by **Anders v. California**.¹ Our independent review of counsel's brief, Vega's response, and the record reflects no nonfrivolous issue. The record

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 R. 47.5, the Court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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

¹ 386 U.S. 738 (1967).

before us is inadequate for a consideration of any claim of ineffective assistance of counsel on direct appeal.² Accordingly, counsel is excused from further responsibilities herein, and the APPEAL IS DISMISSED.³ Vega's motion for the appointment of new counsel is DENIED.

² **United States v. Haese**, 162 F.3d 359 (5th Cir. 1998), cert. denied, 119 S.Ct. 1795 (1999).

³ 5th Cir. R. 42.2.