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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

ANTONIO MONTES CASTRO,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 10-50147

D.C. No. 2:09-cr-01238-RGK

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Central District of California
R. Gary Klausner, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted March 8, 2011**

Before: FARRIS, LEAVY, and BYBEE, Circuit Judges.

Antonio Montes Castro appeals from his guilty-plea conviction and 51-month sentence for being an illegal alien found in the United States following deportation in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326(a). Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Castro's counsel has filed a brief stating there are no grounds

* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

** The panel unanimously concludes this case is suitable for decision without oral argument. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

for relief, along with a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. We have provided the appellant with the opportunity to file a pro se supplemental brief. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief have been filed.

Our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80-81 (1988), discloses no arguable grounds for relief on direct appeal.

Counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**, and the district court's judgment is **AFFIRMED**.