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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

MERCEDES SALAZAR-  
VALENZUELA,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 13-10003

D.C. No. 2:11-cr-02310-DGC

MEMORANDUM\*

Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the District of Arizona  
David G. Campbell, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted February 18, 2014\*\*

Before: ALARCÓN, O’SANNLAIN, and FERNANDEZ, Circuit Judges.

Mercedes Salazar-Valenzuela appeals from the district court’s judgment and challenges her guilty-plea conviction and 210-month sentence for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C.

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\* 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).

§§ 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(A), and 846. Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Salazar-Valenzuela's counsel has filed a brief stating that there are no grounds for relief, along with a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. We have provided Salazar-Valenzuela the opportunity to file a pro se supplemental brief. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief has been filed.

Salazar-Valenzuela has waived her right to appeal her conviction and sentence. Our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80 (1988), discloses no arguable issue as to the validity of the waiver. *See United States v. Watson*, 582 F.3d 974, 986-88 (9th Cir. 2009). We accordingly dismiss the appeal. *See id.* at 988.

Counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**.

**DISMISSED.**