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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

FAUZIA LODHI,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 14-10214

D.C. No. 5:11-cr-00309-LHK

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of California
Lucy H. Koh, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted April 22, 2015**

Before: GOODWIN, BYBEE, and CHRISTEN, Circuit Judges.

Fauzia Lodhi appeals from the district court's judgment and challenges her guilty-plea conviction and 16-month sentence for mail fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1341. Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Lodhi's counsel has filed a brief stating that there are no grounds for relief, along with a

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

motion to withdraw as counsel of record. Lodhi has filed pro se supplemental briefs, and the government has filed an answering brief.

Lodhi 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.

Lodhi's motion for appointment of substitute counsel is **DENIED**.

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

DISMISSED.