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MOLLY C. DWYER, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

ABDUL HOWARD, AKA Lesley Long,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 24-3371

D.C. No.

2:13-cr-00186-GMN-VCF-1

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Nevada Gloria M. Navarro, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted December 17, 2024**

Before: WALLACE, GRABER, and BUMATAY, Circuit Judges.

Abdul Howard appeals from the district court's order denying his motion for compassionate release under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(1)(A)(i). Howard's counsel filed a brief under *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), stating that there are no non-frivolous arguments for appeal. Howard has filed a pro se supplemental

^{*} This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by Ninth Circuit Rule 36-3.

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

opening brief.

Our independent review of the record, *see Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 4 75, 80 (1988), discloses no non-frivolous arguments to be made as to whether the district court abused its discretion in denying the motion for compassionate release, *see United States v. Aruda*, 993 F.3d 797, 799 (9th Cir. 2021).

Counsel's motion to withdraw is granted.

AFFIRMED.

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