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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

No. 05-13759
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

AMADOR VALENTIN,
a.k.a. Herminio Aviles, Jr.,
a.k.a. Herminio Aviles,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Southern District of Florida

(March 27, 2006)

Before DUBINA, HULL and HILL, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:

Amador Valentin appeals the district court's denial of his motion to

recommend to the bureau of prisons that he serve his federal sentence at a state facility, which he filed six years after his conviction became final. Miguel Caridad, appointed counsel for Valentin, has filed a motion to withdraw on appeal supported by a brief prepared pursuant to Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738, 87 S.Ct. 1396, 18 L.Ed.2d 493 (1967). Our independent review of the entire record reveals that counsel's assessment of the relative merit of the appeal is correct. Because independent examination of the entire record reveals no arguable issues of merit, counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**, and the district court's denial of Valentin's motion is **AFFIRMED**.