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In the  
United States Court of Appeals  
For the Eleventh Circuit

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No. 22-12074

Non-Argument Calendar

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

*versus*

RICHARD JAMES HICKS,

Defendant-Appellant.

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Southern District of Alabama  
D.C. Docket No. 1:20-cr-00132-JB-MU-3

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Before WILLIAM PRYOR, Circuit Judge, and NEWSOM and GRANT, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:

Arthur J. Madden III, appointed counsel for Richard Hicks in this direct criminal appeal, has moved to withdraw from further representation of the appellant and filed a brief pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (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 Hicks's conviction and sentence are **AFFIRMED**.