

**COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE THIRTEENTH DISTRICT OF TEXAS,
CORPUS CHRISTI–EDINBURG**

Anthony Schultz v. the State of Texas

Schultz · No. 13-25-00515-CR · Decided April 9, 2026

SUMMARY

The Thirteenth Court of Appeals of Texas reviewed an Anders appeal from convictions for sexual assault of a child, improper relationship between educator and student, and solicitation of prostitution involving a person under eighteen. After independently reviewing the record and finding no arguable grounds for appeal, the court granted appointed counsel’s motion to withdraw and affirmed the trial court’s judgment.

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

NUMBER 13-25-00515-CR COURT OF APPEALS THIRTEENTH DISTRICT OF TEXAS
CORPUS CHRISTI – EDINBURG ANTHONY SCHULTZ, Appellant, v. THE STATE OF
TEXAS, Appellee. ON APPEAL FROM THE 94TH DISTRICT COURT OF NUECES COUNTY,
TEXAS MEMORANDUM OPINION Before Justices Silva, Peña, and Fonseca Memorandum
Opinion by Justice Peña On April 17, 2025, appellant Anthony Schultz was re-indicted on two
counts of sexual assault of a child, see TEX. PENAL CODE § 22.011(a)(2), three counts of
improper relationship between educator and student, see id. § 21.12(a), and one count of
solicitation of prostitution with a person under eighteen years of age, see id. § 43.021(b)(2).

Each offense is a second-degree felony. Id. §§ 22.011(f), 21.12(b), 43.021(b)(2). Appellant
pleaded not guilty to the re-indictment and a jury trial commenced on September 24, 2025. The
jury found appellant guilty on all counts and sentenced him to twenty years’ imprisonment on each
sexual assault count; ten, twenty, and fifteen years’ imprisonment on the improper relationship
counts; and fifteen years’ imprisonment on the solicitation count.

1 Appellant’s court-appointed counsel has filed an Anders brief stating that there are no arguable
grounds for appeal. See *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967). We affirm the trial court’s
judgment. I. ANDERS BRIEF Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, appellant’s court-appointed
appellate counsel has filed a brief and a motion to withdraw with this Court, stating that her
review of the record yielded no grounds of reversible error upon which an appeal could be
predicated.

See *id.* Counsel's brief meets the requirements of *Anders* as it presents a professional evaluation demonstrating why there are no arguable grounds to advance on appeal. See *In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d 403, 406 n.9 (Tex. Crim. App. 2008) (orig. proceeding) ("In Texas, an *Anders* brief need not specifically advance 'arguable' points of error if counsel finds none, but it must provide record references to the facts and procedural history and set out pertinent legal authorities." (citing *Hawkins v. State*, 112 S.W.3d 340, 343–44 (Tex.

App.—Corpus Christi—Edinburg 2003, no pet.))); *Stafford v. State*, 813 S.W.2d 503, 510 n.3 (Tex. Crim. App. 1991). In compliance with *High v. State*, 573 S.W.2d 807, 813 (Tex. Crim. App. [Panel Op.] 1978) and *Kelly v. State*, 436 S.W.3d 313, 319–22 (Tex. Crim. App. 2014), 1 The sentences for all counts were ordered to run concurrently. 2 appellant's counsel carefully discussed why, under controlling authority, there is no reversible error in the trial court's judgment.

Appellant's counsel also informed this Court in writing that she: (1) notified appellant that she has filed an *Anders* brief and a motion to withdraw; (2) provided appellant with copies of both pleadings; (3) informed appellant of his rights to file a pro se response, to review the record prior to filing that response, and to seek discretionary review if we conclude that the appeal is frivolous; and (4) provided appellant with a form motion for pro se access to the appellate record that only requires appellant's signature and date with instructions to file the motion within ten days.

See *Anders*, 386 U.S. at 744; *Kelly*, 436 S.W.3d at 319–20; see also *In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 408–09. Appellant did not move for access to the record or file a pro se response. II. INDEPENDENT REVIEW Upon receiving an *Anders* brief, we must conduct a full examination of all the proceedings to determine whether the case is wholly frivolous. *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80 (1988).

We have reviewed the record and counsel's brief, and we have found nothing that would arguably support an appeal. See *Bledsoe v. State*, 178 S.W.3d 824, 827–28 (Tex. Crim. App. 2005) ("Due to the nature of *Anders* briefs, by indicating in the opinion that it considered the issues raised in the briefs and reviewed the record for reversible error but found none, the court of appeals met the requirements of Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 47.1."); *Stafford*, 813 S.W.2d at 511.

III. MOTION TO WITHDRAW In accordance with *Anders*, appellant's counsel has asked this Court for permission to withdraw as counsel. See *Anders*, 386 U.S. at 744; see also *In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 408 n.17. We grant counsel's motion to withdraw. Within five days from the date of this Court's opinion, counsel is ordered to send a copy of this opinion and this Court's judgment to appellant and to advise him of his right to file a petition for discretionary review.

2 See TEX. R. APP. P. 48.4; see also *In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 412 n.35; *Ex parte Owens*, 206 S.W.3d 670, 673 (Tex. Crim. App. 2006). IV. CONCLUSION We affirm the trial court's judgment. L. ARON PEÑA JR. Justice Do not publish. TEX. R. APP. P. 47.2(b). Delivered and

filed on the 9th day of April, 2026. 2 No substitute counsel will be appointed. Should appellant wish to seek further review of this case by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, he must either retain an attorney to file a petition for discretionary review or file a pro se petition for discretionary review.

Any petition for discretionary review must be filed within thirty days from the date of either this opinion or the last timely motion for rehearing or timely motion for en banc reconsideration that was overruled by this Court. See TEX. R. APP. P. 68.2. Any petition for discretionary review must be filed with the Clerk of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

See id. R. 68.3. Any petition for discretionary review should comply with the requirements of Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 68.4. See id. R. 68.4. 4