

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 02-1344

United States of America,

Appellee,

v.

Jamie Urias, Jr., also known as
Valentin Medelez,

Appellant.

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* Appeal from the United States
* District Court for the
* Northern District of Iowa.
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Submitted: December 3, 2002
Filed: December 11, 2002

Before McMILLIAN, BOWMAN, and MURPHY, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Jamie Urias, Jr., pleaded guilty to intentionally distributing 50 or more grams of a mixture containing methamphetamine, 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B) (2000). The District Court¹ sentenced him to the ten-year mandatory minimum term of imprisonment and eight years of supervised release.

¹The Honorable Mark W. Bennett, Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Iowa.

On appeal, counsel has filed a brief and moved to withdraw under Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), arguing the guilty plea was not taken in compliance with Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11 because Urias was not adequately informed of the statutory mandatory minimum sentence. Having carefully reviewed the plea transcript, we conclude there was no plain error because the magistrate judge² repeatedly informed Urias of the mandatory minimum and Urias indicated he understood it. See United States v. Vonn, 122 S. Ct. 1043, 1046 (2002). We have further reviewed the record independently pursuant to Penson v. Ohio, 488 U.S. 75 (1988), and have found no nonfrivolous issues. Accordingly, we affirm. We also grant counsel's motion to withdraw.

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²The Honorable Paul A. Zoss, United States Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Iowa.