IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

JOSE LUIS ROJERO VALLES, also known as Hector Fraga Valles, also known as Loreto Lavat, also known as Manuel Longorea, also known as Daniel Reyes Valles, also known as Jaime Robles Reyes, also known as Arturo Longoria,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas USDC No. 4:05-CR-8-ALL

Before GARZA, DENNIS, and PRADO, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Appealing the Judgment in a Criminal Case, Jose Luis Rojero Valles raises arguments that are foreclosed by <u>Almendarez-Torres</u> <u>v. United States</u>, 523 U.S. 224, 235 (1998), which held that a prior conviction is a sentencing factor under 8 U.S.C. § 1326(b)(2) and not a separate criminal offense. The Government's motion for summary affirmance is GRANTED, and the judgment of the district court is AFFIRMED.

 $^{^*}$ Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.