IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

FILED March 5, 2008

No. 07-51274 Conference Calendar

Charles R. Fulbruge III
Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff-Appellee

V.

ARTURO HERNANDEZ-GUERRERO, also known as Francisco Robles-Sanchez

Defendant-Appellant

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas USDC No. 3:07-CR-1636-ALL

Before KING, STEWART, and PRADO, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:*

Appealing the Judgment in a Criminal Case, Arturo Hernandez-Guerrero raises arguments that are foreclosed by Almendarez-Torres v. United States, 523 U.S. 224, 235 (1998), which held that 8 U.S.C. § 1326(b)(2) is a penalty provision and not a separate criminal offense. United States v. Pineda-Arrellano, 492 F.3d 624, 625 (5th Cir. 2007), cert. denied, 128 S. Ct. 872 (2008).

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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

The judgment of the district court is AFFIRMED. The Government's motion for summary affirmance, which relies on inapposite authority, is DENIED.