United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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No. 05-50749 Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

DONALD MELVIN,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas
USDC No. 3:04-CR-2788-1

Before KING, Chief Judge, and HIGGINBOTHAM and SMITH, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Appealing the Judgment in a Criminal Case, Donald Melvin raises arguments that are foreclosed by <u>United States v. Doggett</u>, 230 F.3d 160, 166 (5th Cir. 2000), which held that <u>Almendarez-Torres v. United States</u>, 523 U.S. 224, 235 (1998), still controls prior conviction enhancements under 21 U.S.C. § 841, notwithstanding <u>Apprendi v. New Jersey</u>, 530 U.S. 466 (2000). 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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.