

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT**

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No. 15-41103  
Conference Calendar

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United States Court of Appeals  
Fifth Circuit

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Lyle W. Cayce  
Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee

v.

PEDRO MALDONADO, JR.,

Defendant-Appellant

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Southern District of Texas  
USDC No. 2:15-CR-212-1

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Before REAVLEY, ELROD, and HAYNES, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

Appealing the judgment in a criminal case, Pedro Maldonado, Jr., raises an argument that is foreclosed by *United States v. Betancourt*, 586 F.3d 303, 307-09 (5th Cir. 2009), which held that knowledge of drug type and quantity is not an element of a 21 U.S.C. § 841 offense. Accordingly, the motion for summary disposition is GRANTED, and the judgment of the district court is AFFIRMED.

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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