United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

No. 23-50334 Summary Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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Plaintiff—Appellee,

versus

EDGAR GARCIA-HEREDIA,

Defendant—Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas USDC No. 2:22-CR-870-1

Before Smith, Higginson, and Engelhardt, *Circuit Judges*.

Per Curiam:*

Edgar Garcia-Heredia appeals his sentence for illegal reentry into the United States under 8 U.S.C. § 1326. Garcia-Heredia argues that the recidivism enhancement in § 1326(b) is unconstitutional because it permits a sentence above the applicable maximum in § 1326(a), based on facts neither alleged in the indictment nor found by a jury beyond a reasonable doubt.

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Garcia-Heredia acknowledges that his argument is foreclosed by *Almendarez-Torres v. United States*, 523 U.S. 224 (1998), but he nevertheless seeks to preserve it for possible Supreme Court review. Accordingly, Garcia-Heredia has filed an unopposed motion for summary disposition.

We have held that subsequent Supreme Court decisions such as Alleyne v. United States, 570 U.S. 99 (2013), and Apprendi v. New Jersey, 530 U.S. 466 (2000), did not overrule Almendarez-Torres. See United States v. Pervis, 937 F.3d 546, 553-54 (5th Cir. 2019). As Garcia-Heredia concedes that his argument is foreclosed, summary disposition is appropriate. See Groendyke Transp., Inc. v. Davis, 406 F.2d 1158, 1162 (5th Cir. 1969).

Garcia-Heredia's motion is GRANTED, and the district court's judgment is AFFIRMED.