United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

No. 25-10640 Summary Calendar

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United States of America,

Plaintiff—Appellee,

versus

LAZARO DELEON-JUAREZ,

Defendant—Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas USDC No. 4:24-CR-304-1

Before Jones, Duncan, and Douglas, *Circuit Judges*.

Per Curiam:*

Lazaro Deleon-Juarez appeals following his conviction for illegal reentry in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326(a), arguing that the statutory sentencing enhancement in § 1326(b) is unconstitutional. He concedes this argument is foreclosed by *Almendarez-Torres v. United States*, 523 U.S. 224

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(1998). The Government has filed an unopposed motion for summary affirmance or, alternatively, for an extension of time in which to file a brief.

The parties are correct that the argument is foreclosed. See United States v. Pervis, 937 F.3d 546, 553-54 (5th Cir. 2019); see also Erlinger v. United States, 602 U.S. 821, 838 (2024) (explaining that Almendarez-Torres "persists as a narrow exception permitting judges to find only the fact of a prior conviction" (internal quotation marks and citation omitted)). Summary affirmance is therefore appropriate. See Groendyke Transp. Inc. v. Davis, 406 F.2d 1158, 1162 (5th Cir. 1969). Accordingly, the motion for summary affirmance is GRANTED, the alternative motion for an extension of time is DENIED, and the judgment of the district court is AFFIRMED.