

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

No. 26-30115
Summary Calendar

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Fifth Circuit

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Thomas B. Plunkett, III
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff—Appellee,

versus

RODRIQUES DAVIS-HOWARD,

Defendant—Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Western District of Louisiana
USDC No. 5:25-CR-209-1

Before DAVIS, RICHMAN, and OLDHAM, *Circuit Judges*.

PER CURIAM:*

Rodriques Davis-Howard was convicted of illegal possession of a machinegun and sentenced to 60 months of imprisonment. He appeals, challenging the substantive reasonableness of his above-guidelines sentence. Davis-Howard contends that the district court gave undue weight to his juvenile convictions and insufficient weight to mitigating factors.

* This opinion is not designated for publication. *See* 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.

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We review a challenge to the substantive reasonableness of a sentence for abuse of discretion. *Gall v. United States*, 552 U.S. 38, 51 (2007). Davis-Howard's arguments do not show that the district court failed to consider a factor that should have received significant weight, gave weight to an improper factor, or clearly erred in balancing the sentencing factors. *See United States v. Gerezano-Rosales*, 692 F.3d 393, 400-01 (5th Cir. 2012). Rather, the record reflects that the district court made an individualized assessment and concluded that the guidelines range did not adequately take into account the 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a) factors. *See United States v. Lopez-Velasquez*, 526 F.3d 804, 807 (5th Cir. 2008).

AFFIRMED.