

11-210 UNITED STATES V. ALVAREZ

DECISION BELOW: 617 F.3d 1198

LOWER COURT CASE NUMBER: 08-50345

QUESTION PRESENTED:

Section 704(b) of Title 18, United States Code, makes it a crime when anyone "falsely represents himself or herself, * * * verbally or in writing, to have been awarded any decoration or medal authorized by Congress for the Armed Forces of the United States."

The question presented is whether 18 U.S.C. 704(b) is facially invalid under the Free Speech Clause of the First Amendment.

CERT. GRANTED 10/17/2011