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for the Fifth Circuit

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Fifth Circuit

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No. 23-10920  
Summary Calendar

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*Plaintiff—Appellee,*

*versus*

JONATHAN R. HOWARD,

*Defendant—Appellant.*

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Northern District of Texas  
USDC No. 4:23-CR-84-1

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Before HIGGINBOTHAM, JONES, and OLDHAM, *Circuit Judges*.

PER CURIAM:\*

Jonathan R. Howard argues that his statute of conviction, 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), violates the Second Amendment on its face and as applied to him in light of *New York State Rifle & Pistol Ass’n, Inc. v. Bruen*, 597 U.S. 1 (2022). He also contends that § 922(g)(1) violates the Commerce Clause, but he

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correctly concedes his argument is foreclosed. *See United States v. Diaz*, 116 F.4th 458, 462 (5th Cir. 2024).

His facial Second Amendment challenge is also foreclosed. *See United States v. Contreras*, 125 F.4th 725, 729 (5th Cir. 2025). His unpreserved as-applied challenge fails on plain error review because he has not shown that applying § 922(g)(1) based on his prior drug-trafficking felonies amounts to clear or obvious error. *See United States v. Jones*, 88 F.4th 571, 573-74 (5th Cir. 2023), *cert. denied*, 144 S. Ct. 1081 (2024); *United States v. Cisneros*, 130 F.4th 472, 476-77 (5th Cir. 2025).

AFFIRMED.