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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

<p>RUBEN CASTILLO-VARGAS; ANA LUZ CABANAS-ESTEBAN,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Petitioners,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">v.</p> <p>ERIC H. HOLDER Jr., Attorney General,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Respondent.</p>
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No. 06-71011

Agency Nos. A077-810-592
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MEMORANDUM*

On Petition for Review of an Order of the
Board of Immigration Appeals

Submitted November 17, 2009**

Before: ALARCÓN, TROTT, and TASHIMA, Circuit Judges.

Ruben Castillo-Vargas and Ana Luz Cabanas-Esteban, husband and wife and natives and citizens of Mexico, petition for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals’ (“BIA”) order denying their motion to reopen removal proceedings based

* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

** The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

on ineffective assistance of counsel. We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252. We review for abuse of discretion the denial of a motion to reopen and review de novo questions of law, including claims of due process violations due to ineffective assistance of counsel. *Mohammed v. Gonzales*, 400 F.3d 785, 791-92 (9th Cir. 2005). We deny the petition for review.

We agree with the BIA that the performance of petitioners' former counsel did not result in prejudice, and thus petitioners' claim of ineffective assistance of counsel fails. *See Rojas-Garcia v. Ashcroft*, 339 F.3d 814, 826 (9th Cir. 2003) (petitioner must show prejudice to prevail on an ineffective assistance of counsel claim).

PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.