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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

GENOVEVA MARTINEZ RIOS; et al.,

Petitioners,

v.

ERIC H. HOLDER Jr., Attorney General,

Respondent.

No. 07-71648

Agency Nos. A095-196-227 A095-196-228

MEMORANDUM*

GENOVEVA MARTINEZ RIOS; et al.,

Petitioners,

v.

ERIC H. HOLDER Jr., Attorney General,

Respondent.

No. 08-73648

Agency Nos. A095-196-227 A095-196-228

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

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

Before: GOODWIN, WALLACE, and FISHER, Circuit Judges.

Genoveva Martinez Rios and her son Augustin Armenta Martinez, natives and citizens of Mexico, petition pro se for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' denial of their motion to reopen the underlying denial of their application for cancellation of removal based on their failure to establish the requisite hardship to a qualifying relative.

Petitioners introduced new evidence that the female petitioner's health has declined since the removal hearing to support their claim that the petitioners' qualifying relative would experience extreme hardship if they were removed. We conclude that the BIA properly considered the new evidence offered by petitioners, and acted within its broad discretion in determining that the evidence was insufficient to warrant reopening. *See Singh v. INS*, 295 F.3d 1037, 1039 (9th Cir. 2000) (the BIA's denial of a motion to reopen shall be reversed only if it is "arbitrary, irrational, or contrary to law").

We do not consider petitioners' contentions regarding the immigration judge's failure to make findings regarding petitioners' good moral character, lack

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

of previous convictions, or their continuous presence in the United States because these contentions are not properly before us in our review of the BIA's denial of the motion to reopen.

Petitioners do not raise any arguments concerning the BIA's denial of their second motion to reopen as time and numerically barred, and therefore petitioners have waived any challenge to that decision. *See Martinez-Rios v. Holder*, 94 F.3d 1256, 1259 (9th Cir. 1996) (issues not supported by argument in a brief are deemed abandoned).

PETITIONS FOR REVIEW DENIED.