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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

SELVIN OMAR QUINTANILLA,

Petitioner,

V.

ERIC H. HOLDER, Jr., Attorney General,

Respondent.

No. 11-73899

Agency No. A070-781-256

MEMORANDUM*

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

Submitted January 21, 2014**

Before: CANBY, SILVERMAN, and PAEZ, Circuit Judges.

Selvin Omar Quintanilla, a native and citizen of El Salvador, petitions for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' order dismissing his appeal from an immigration judge's decision denying his application for asylum, withholding of

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

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

removal, and relief under the Convention Against Torture ("CAT"). We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252. We review for substantial evidence factual findings, *INS v. Elias-Zacarias*, 502 U.S. 478, 481 & n.1 (1992), and we deny the petition for review.

Substantial evidence supports the agency's finding that Quintanilla did not suffer past persecution and does not have a well-founded fear of future persecution on account of an actual or imputed political opinion. *See id.* at 482-83; *see also Nagoulko v. INS*, 333 F.3d 1012, 1018 (9th Cir. 2003) (petitioner's fear of future persecution was speculative). Accordingly, Quintanilla's asylum claim fails.

Because Quintanilla failed to meet the lower burden of proof for asylum, it follows that he has not met the higher standard for withholding of removal. *See Zehatye v. Gonzales*, 453 F.3d 1182, 1190 (9th Cir. 2006).

Quintanilla does not make any arguments regarding the agency's denial of CAT relief. *See Martinez-Serrano v. INS*, 94 F.3d 1256, 1259-60 (9th Cir. 1996) (issues not supported by argument are deemed waived).

PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.

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