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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

JUAN RAMON PEGO-TROCHEZ,

Petitioner,

v.

ERIC H. HOLDER, Jr., Attorney General,

Respondent.

No. 07-70386

Agency No. A079-652-872

MEMORANDUM*

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

Submitted July 14, 2009**

Before: SCHROEDER, THOMAS, and WARDLAW, Circuit Judges.

Juan Ramon Pego-Trochez, a native and citizen of Honduras, petitions for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' order dismissing his appeal from an immigration judge's ("IJ") decision denying his application for asylum and

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

withholding of removal. We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252. We review factual findings, including adverse credibility determinations, for substantial evidence. *See Chebchoub v. INS*, 257 F.3d 1038, 1042 (9th Cir. 2001). We deny the petition for review.

Substantial evidence supports the IJ's adverse credibility determination. *See id.* Accordingly, Pego-Trochez's asylum application fails.

Because Pego-Trochez failed to establish eligibility for asylum, he necessarily failed to meet the more stringent standard for withholding of removal. *See Farah v. Ashcroft*, 348 F.3d 1153, 1156 (9th Cir. 2003).

PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.