

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 09-1219**

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AYAD RAMZI GERIS; FATEN MOUSSA MOUSSA; GEORGE AYAD GERIS;  
TONY AYAD GERIS; AMIRA AYAD GERIS,

Petitioners,

v.

ERIC H. HOLDER, JR., Attorney General,

Respondent.

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

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Submitted: December 17, 2009

Decided: January 6, 2010

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Before MICHAEL and KING, Circuit Judges, and HAMILTON, Senior Circuit Judge.

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Petition denied by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Theodore N. Cox, New York, New York, for Petitioners. Tony West, Assistant Attorney General, Michelle Gorden Latour, Assistant Director, Brendan P. Hogan, OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION LITIGATION, Washington, D.C., for Respondent.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Ayad Ramzi Geris,\* a native and citizen of Egypt, petitions for review of an order of the Board of Immigration Appeals affirming the Immigration Judge's denial of his applications for relief from removal.

Geris challenges the determination that he failed to establish eligibility for asylum. To obtain reversal of a determination denying eligibility for relief, an alien "must show that the evidence he presented was so compelling that no reasonable factfinder could fail to find the requisite fear of persecution." INS v. Elias-Zacarias, 502 U.S. 478, 483-84 (1992). We have reviewed the evidence of record and conclude that Geris fails to show that the evidence compels a contrary result. Having failed to qualify for asylum, Geris cannot meet the more stringent standard for withholding of removal. Chen v. INS, 195 F.3d 198, 205 (4th Cir. 1999); INS v. Cardoza-Fonseca, 480 U.S. 421, 430 (1987).

Accordingly, we deny the petition for review. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal

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\* Geris's wife, Faten Moussa Moussa, and his children, George Ayad Geris, Tony Ayad Geris, and Amira Ayad Geris, are derivative applicants of Geris's claim for asylum.

contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

PETITION DENIED