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UNDER ARIZONA RULE OF THE SUPREME COURT 111(c), THIS DECISION IS NOT PRECEDENTIAL
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IN THE
ARIZONA COURT OF APPEALS
DIVISION ONE

STATE OF ARIZONA, *Respondent*,

v.

NICOLAS ROGELIO CORTEZ, *Petitioner*.

No. 1 CA-CR 18-0267 PRPC
FILED 8-7-2018

Appeal from the Superior Court in Maricopa County
No. CR2012-160587-001
The Honorable Sam J. Myers, Judge

REVIEW GRANTED AND RELIEF DENIED

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Nicolas Rogelio Cortez, Buckeye
Petitioner

MEMORANDUM DECISION

Presiding Judge Randall M. Howe, Judge Jennifer M. Perkins, and Judge Peter B. Swann delivered the decision of the Court.

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Decision of the Court

PER CURIAM:

¶1 Petitioner Nicolas Rogelio Cortez seeks review of the superior court's order denying his petition for post-conviction relief, filed pursuant to Arizona Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.1. This is petitioner's first petition.

¶2 Absent an abuse of discretion or error of law, this court will not disturb a superior court's ruling on a petition for post-conviction relief. *State v. Gutierrez*, 229 Ariz. 573, 577 ¶ 19 (2012). It is petitioner's burden to show that the superior court abused its discretion by denying the petition for post-conviction relief. *See State v. Poblete*, 227 Ariz. 537, 538 ¶ 1 (App. 2011) (petitioner has burden of establishing abuse of discretion on review).

¶3 We have reviewed the record in this matter, the superior court's order denying the petition for post-conviction relief, and the petition for review. We find that petitioner has not established an abuse of discretion.

¶4 For the foregoing reasons, we grant review and deny relief.



AMY M. WOOD • Clerk of the Court
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