

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 07-1267**

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THOMAS H. RICHARDS,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

versus

SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSION,

Defendant - Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia, at Martinsburg. Irene M. Keeley, Chief District Judge. (3:05-cv-00084-IMK)

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Submitted: September 24, 2007

Decided: October 10, 2007

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Before WILKINSON, MOTZ, and DUNCAN, Circuit Judges.

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Affirmed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Thomas H. Richards appeals the district court's order accepting the magistrate judge's recommendation to affirm the Commissioner's denial of disability insurance benefits. We must uphold the decision to deny benefits if the decision is supported by substantial evidence and the correct law was applied. See 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) (2000); Craig v. Chater, 76 F.3d 585, 589 (4th Cir. 1996). We have thoroughly reviewed the administrative record and the parties' briefs and find no reversible error. Accordingly, we affirm. See Richards v. Soc. Sec. Comm'n, No. 3:05-cv-00084-IMK (N.D.W. Va. Jan. 19, 2007). We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

AFFIRMED