

UNPUBLISHED

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 18-1064

DAISY GUERRERO-SUAREZ,

Petitioner,

v.

JEFFERSON B. SESSIONS III, Attorney General,

Respondent.

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

Submitted: September 19, 2018

Decided: October 1, 2018

Before DUNCAN and FLOYD, Circuit Judges, and SHEDD, Senior Circuit Judge.

Petition denied by unpublished per curiam opinion.

Janeen Hicks-Pierre, PIERRE LAW PLLC, Charlotte, North Carolina, for Petitioner. Chad A. Readler, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Holly M. Smith, Senior Litigation Counsel, Aric A. Anderson, Office of Immigration Litigation, Civil Division, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, Washington, D.C., for Respondent.

Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Daisy Guerrero-Suarez, a native and citizen of Honduras, petitions for review of an order of the Board of Immigration Appeals (Board) dismissing her appeal from the immigration judge's denial of her applications for asylum, withholding of removal, and protection under the Convention Against Torture.

On appeal, Guerrero-Suarez argues that the agency failed to define the term "persecution generally or within the context of the facts presented by the record" and failed to undertake "any evaluation or exploration of what does and does not rise to the level of persecution." (Pet'r's Br. (ECF No. 14) at 26). The Board, however, affirmed the immigration judge's denial of Guerrero-Suarez's applications for asylum and withholding of removal on the grounds that (1) she failed to provide reasonably available corroborative evidence; and (2) she failed to demonstrate a nexus to a protected ground as she is not a member of her proposed particular social group. Because Guerrero-Suarez fails to raise any arguments in her brief that meaningfully challenge the basis for the Board's decision, we find that she has failed to preserve any issues for review.* *See* Fed. R. App. P. 28(a)(8)(A) ("[T]he argument . . . must contain . . . appellant's contentions and the reasons for them, with citations to the authorities and parts of the record on which the appellant relies."); *Edwards v. City of Goldsboro*, 178 F.3d 231, 241 n.6 (4th Cir. 1999) ("Failure to comply with the specific dictates of [Rule 28] with respect to a particular claim triggers

* Guerrero-Suarez also fails to challenge the agency's denial of her request for protection under the Convention Against Torture.

abandonment of that claim on appeal.”); *accord Suarez-Valenzuela v. Holder*, 714 F.3d 241, 248-49 (4th Cir. 2013).

Accordingly, we deny the petition for review for the reasons stated by the Board. *In re Guerrero-Suarez* (B.I.A. Dec. 29, 2017). We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before this court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

PETITION DENIED