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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

<p>JOY WINIFRED PANCHUM,</p> <p>Petitioner,</p> <p>v.</p> <p>ERIC H. HOLDER, Jr., Attorney General,</p> <p>Respondent.</p>
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No. 12-73484

Agency No. A036-706-467

MEMORANDUM\*

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

Submitted May 13, 2014\*\*

Before: CLIFTON, BEA, and WATFORD, Circuit Judges.

Joy Winifred Panchum, a native and citizen of Guyana, petitions for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals’ (“BIA”) order dismissing an immigration judge’s denial of her motion to reopen deportation proceedings conducted in absentia. We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252. We review for abuse of

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\* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

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

discretion the denial of a motion to reopen, *Avagyan v. Holder*, 646 F.3d 672, 674 (9th Cir. 2011), and we deny the petition for review.

The BIA did not abuse its discretion in denying Panchum's motion to reopen as untimely where it was filed sixteen years after her deportation order became final, *see* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.23(b)(4)(iii)(1) (an alien has 180 days to file a motion to reopen to rescind the in absentia order if the alien can show that she failed to appear for the hearing due to exceptional circumstances), and Panchum failed to show the due diligence necessary for equitable tolling of the filing deadline, *see Avagyan*, 646 F.3d at 679 (equitable tolling of the filing deadline is available where petitioner establishes that she was prevented from filing because of deception, fraud or error, and acted with due diligence in discovering such circumstances).

**PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.**