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REYNALDO BERNAL-ROMO,

No. 18-70298

Petitioner,

Agency No. A205-270-322

v.

MEMORANDUM*

MERRICK B. GARLAND, Attorney
General,

Respondent.

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

Submitted February 14, 2023**

Before: FERNANDEZ, FRIEDLAND, and H.A. THOMAS, Circuit Judges.

Reynaldo Bernal-Romo, a native and citizen of Mexico, petitions for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' ("BIA") order dismissing his appeal from an immigration judge's decision denying his application for cancellation of removal.

We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252. We review de novo questions of law.

* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by Ninth Circuit Rule 36-3.

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

Espino-Castillo v. Holder, 770 F.3d 861, 863 (9th Cir. 2014). We deny the petition for review.

The BIA did not err in concluding that Bernal-Romo's conviction for solicitation to commit forgery under Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 13-1002 (solicitation) and 13-2002 (forgery) is categorically a crime involving moral turpitude that renders him ineligible for cancellation of removal. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1229b(b)(1)(C); *Barragan-Lopez v. Mukasey*, 508 F.3d 899, 903 (9th Cir. 2007) (the court looks to the underlying crime to determine if a conviction for an inchoate offense constitutes a crime involving moral turpitude) (citations omitted); *Espino-Castillo*, 770 F.3d at 865 (Arizona forgery conviction is a crime involving moral turpitude rendering petitioner ineligible for cancellation of removal). Thus, Bernal-Romo's cancellation of removal claim fails.

PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.