



U.S. Citizenship
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Services

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DATE: **MAY 15 2015**

FILE #: [REDACTED]

PETITION RECEIPT #: [REDACTED]

IN RE: Petitioner: [REDACTED]

PETITION: Petition for Immigrant Abused Spouse Pursuant to Section 204(a)(1)(A)(iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1154(a)(1)(A)(iii)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

NO REPRESENTATIVE OF RECORD

Enclosed is the non-precedent decision of the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) for your case.

If you believe we incorrectly decided your case, you may file a motion requesting us to reconsider our decision and/or reopen the proceeding. The requirements for motions are located at 8 C.F.R. § 103.5. Motions must be filed on a Notice of Appeal or Motion (Form I-290B) **within 33 days of the date of this decision**. The Form I-290B web page (www.uscis.gov/i-290b) contains the latest information on fee, filing location, and other requirements. **Please do not mail any motions directly to the AAO.**

Thank you,

Ron Rosenberg
Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The Acting Director, Vermont Service Center (the director) denied the immigrant visa petition and the matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The petitioner seeks immigrant classification under section 204(a)(1)(A)(iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (“the Act”), 8 U.S.C. § 1154(a)(1)(A)(iii), as an alien battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by a United States citizen.

The director denied the petition for failure to establish that the petitioner is a person of good moral character. The petitioner appealed.¹

The Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion (appeal notice) states, in pertinent part at Part 4: “On a separate sheet of paper, **you must provide a statement** regarding the basis for the appeal ... Provide a statement that specifically identifies an erroneous conclusion of law or fact in the decision being appealed.” The petitioner has not provided such a statement. On the appeal notice, the petitioner indicated that a brief and/or additional evidence would be submitted within 30 days of filing the appeal. As of the date of this decision, we have not received any brief or additional evidence.

An officer to whom an appeal is taken shall summarily dismiss any appeal when the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v). The petitioner has not identified any specific, erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact in the director’s decision and the appeal must be summarily dismissed.

In visa petition proceedings, it is the petitioner's burden to establish eligibility for the immigration benefit sought. Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1361; *Matter of Otiende*, 26 I&N Dec. 127, 128 (BIA 2013). Here, that burden has not been met.

ORDER: The appeal is summarily dismissed.

¹ At the time the appeal was filed, the petitioner was represented by counsel. However, on March 19, 2015, counsel was suspended from practice before this agency based upon her suspension in Florida. The petitioner is therefore considered to be self-represented.