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OFFICE: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER

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Applicant:



APPLICATION: Application for Temporary Protected Status under Section 244 of the  
Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1254

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:



INSTRUCTIONS:

Enclosed please find the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All of the documents related to this matter have been returned to the Vermont Service Center. Please be advised that any further inquiry that you might have concerning your case must be made to that office.

If you believe the law was inappropriately applied by us in reaching our decision, or you have additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reconsider or a motion to reopen. The specific requirements for filing such a request can be found at 8 C.F.R. § 103.5. All motions must be submitted to the California Service Center by filing a Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion, with a fee of \$630. Please be aware that 8 C.F.R. § 103.5(a)(1)(i) requires that any motion must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider or reopen.

Thank you,

Perry Rhew  
Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The application was denied by the Director, Vermont Service Center, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The applicant claims to be a native and citizen of El Salvador who is seeking Temporary Protected Status (TPS) under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1254.

The director denied the application because the applicant had been convicted of two misdemeanors in the United States.

On appeal, the applicant asserts, “[t]he convictions on my record do not exist.” The applicant asserts that he is in the process of obtaining court documentation from the San Diego Superior Court to support his claim. The applicant indicates at Part 2 on the appeal form that a brief and/or additional evidence would be submitted to the AAO within 30 days.<sup>1</sup> However, more than five months later, no additional correspondence has been presented by the applicant.

8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v) states, in pertinent part:

*Summary dismissal.* 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.

Inasmuch as the applicant has failed to overcome the director’s finding and as failed to identify specifically an erroneous conclusion of law or a statement of fact as a basis for the appeal, the regulations mandate the summary dismissal of the appeal.

As always in these proceedings, the burden of proof rests solely with the applicant. Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1361.

Finally, while not the basis for the dismissal of the appeal, it is noted that the record reflects that a removal hearing was held on September 29, 2008, and the applicant was granted voluntary departure from the United States on or before November 28, 2008. The applicant appealed the immigration judge’s decision to the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA). On February 26, 2010, the BIA dismissed the appeal.

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed.

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<sup>1</sup> Every appeal submitted on the form prescribed by this chapter shall be executed and filed in accordance with the instructions on the form, such instructions being hereby incorporated into the particular section of the regulations in this chapter requiring its submission. 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(a)(1). The Form I-290B instructs the applicant to submit a brief and additional evidence to the AAO within 30 days of filing the appeal.