

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 21-2208**

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ADOLFO MASADIEGO-ALVA, a/k/a Darling Eduardo Merida Merida,

Petitioner,

v.

MERRICK B. GARLAND, Attorney General,

Respondent.

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

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Submitted: June 23, 2022

Decided: September 14, 2023

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Before KING and RICHARDSON, Circuit Judges, and FLOYD, Senior Circuit Judge.

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Petition denied by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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**ON BRIEF:** Arnedo S. Valera, LAW OFFICES OF VALERA & ASSOCIATES P.C., Fairfax, Virginia, for Petitioner. Brian M. Boynton, Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Anthony C. Payne, Assistant Director, Alexander J. Lutz, Trial Attorney, Office of Immigration Litigation, Civil Division, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, Washington, D.C., for Respondent.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Adolfo Masadiego-Alva, a native and citizen of Guatemala, petitions for review of an order of the Board of Immigration Appeals dismissing his appeal from the immigration judge's decision denying his applications for asylum, withholding of removal, and protection under the Convention Against Torture. We have thoroughly reviewed the record and conclude that the evidence does not compel a ruling contrary to any of the administrative factual findings, *see* 8 U.S.C. § 1252(b)(4)(B), and that substantial evidence supports the denial of relief, *see INS v. Elias-Zacarias*, 502 U.S. 478, 481 (1992). We further conclude, upon de novo review of the questions of law raised by Masadiego-Alva, that the denial of relief was not manifestly contrary to law. *See Crespin-Valladares v. Holder*, 632 F.3d 117, 124 (4th Cir. 2011) (citing 8 U.S.C. § 1252(b)(4)(C)). Accordingly, we deny the petition for review. 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*