

January 29, 2004

Charles R. Fulbruge III
Clerk

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 03-60434
Summary Calendar

MOHAMMED AMIR,

Petitioner,

versus

JOHN ASHCROFT, U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL,

Respondent.

Petition for Review of an Order of the
Board of Immigration Appeals
BIA No. A78 171 484

Before HIGGINBOTHAM, DAVIS and PRADO, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Mohammed Amir has filed a petition for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals's (BIA) summary decision denying his appeal from the Immigration Judge's (IJ) order denying his application for asylum and withholding of removal. Amir's argument to this court turns principally upon two claims: that the IJ incorrectly determined that Amir's testimony was not credible and that he was previously subjected to persecution on

* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

account of his political affiliation. However, the record does not compel a finding that Amir's testimony was credible. See Lopez De Jesus v. INS, 312 F.3d 155, 161 (5th Cir. 2002).

Further, despite Amir's claim that his captors had mixed motives for torturing him, the record does not compel a finding that his political beliefs were a cause of the torture. See Girma v. INS, 283 F.3d 664, 667-68 (5th Cir. 2002).

PETITION DENIED.