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Name: PENA-YUNGASACA, WILSON E...

A 200-826-015

Date of this notice: 12/30/2016

Enclosed is a copy of the Board's decision and order in the above-referenced case.

Sincerely,

Donna Carr Chief Clerk

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Panel Members: Grant, Edward R. Mann, Ana O'Connor, Blair

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Falls Church, Virginia 22041

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In re: WILSON EDUARDO PENA-YUNGASACA

IN REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS

APPEAL

ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT: Randy Feldman, Esquire

APPLICATION: Reopening

The respondent, a native and citizen of Ecuador, was ordered removed in absentia on September 25, 2014. On October 20, 2014, the respondent filed a motion to reopen proceedings, which an Immigration Judge denied on December 22, 2014. The respondent filed a timely appeal of that decision. The appeal will be sustained, the Immigration Judge's order will be vacated, proceedings will be reopened and the record will be remanded.

The Board reviews an Immigration Judge's findings of fact, including findings as to the credibility of testimony, under the clearly erroneous standard. 8 C.F.R. §§ 1003.1(d)(3)(i), (ii). The Board reviews questions of law, discretion, and judgment and all other issues in appeals from decisions of Immigration Judges de novo.

Upon de novo review of the record and in light of the totality of circumstances presented in this case, we conclude that the respondent demonstrated that reopening is warranted. See sections 240(b)(5)(C)(i), (e)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. §§ 1229a(b)(5)(C)(i), (e)(1). We will therefore sustain the respondent's appeal and remand the record for further proceedings.

ORDER: The respondent's appeal is sustained, the in absentia order is vacated, proceedings are reopened and the record is remanded to the Immigration Judge for further proceedings and for the entry of a new decision.²

Among other factors, we have considered the respondent's sworn affidavit, his attendance at prior hearings, his diligence in pursuing his status, his filing of an application for withholding of removal and that his nonappearance at his hearing was the result of an inadvertent mistake and not an attempt to avoid proceedings.

² We note that the Immigration Judge's form order adopting the opposition filed by the Department of Homeland Security is not proper under the applicable regulations or our precedents. See Matter of A-P-, 22 I&N Dec. 468 (BIA 1999). In denying a motion to reopen, an Immigration Judge must set forth in a separate decision the reasons for the denial.

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IN THE MATTER OF FILE A 200-826-015 PENA-YUNGASACA, WILSON EDUARDO

DATE: Jan 16, 2015

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In the matter of: Wilson PENA-YUNGASACA ALIEN No.: 200-826-015

Order of the Immigration Judge

This document was served by:

[] Alien

Date: 1-15-16

To:

Upon consideration of ["the respondent's" or "DHS's"] Motion to Reopen Removal Proceedings and Rescind In Absentia Order, it is HEREBY ORDERED that the motion be **GRANTED DENIED**/because:

DENIED because:		
0	DHS does not oppose the motion.	
٥	The respondent does not oppose the motion.	
	A response to the motion has not been filed with the court.	
٥	Good cause has been established for the motion.	
沊	The court agrees with the reasons stated in the opposition to the motion.	
0	The motion is untimely per	
٥	Other:	
Deadlines: The application(s) for relief must be filed by The respondent must comply with DHS biometrics instructions by		
Date	BOMaly Immigration Judge	

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