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Date of this notice: 12/31/2013

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

Sincerely,



Chief Clerk

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Decision of L. doard of Immigration Appeals

Falls Church, Virginia 20530

File: A099

Date: DEC 3 1 2013

In re:

IN REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS

**APPEAL** 

ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT: Stewart Lin, Esquire

ON BEHALF OF DHS:

Senior Attorney

CHARGE:

Notice: Sec. 212(a)(6)(A)(i), I&N Act [8 U.S.C. § 1182(a)(6)(A)(i)] -

Present without being admitted or paroled

APPLICATION: Asylum; withholding of removal; Convention Against Torture

The respondent appeals the Immigration Judge's decision of the land, 2011, denying his applications for asylum, withholding of removal and protection under the Convention Against Torture ("CAT"). Sections 208(b)(1)(A) and 241(b)(3)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. §§ 1158(5)(1)(A) and 1231(b)(3)(A); 8 C.F.R. §§ 1208.13, 1208.16-1208.18. The record will be remanded.

We review for clear error the findings of fact made by the Immigration Judge, including the determination of credibility. See 8 C.F.R. § 1003.1(d)(3)(i). We review de novo all other issues, including whether the parties have met the relevant burden of proof, and issues of discretion. See 8 C.F.R. § 1003.1(d)(3)(ii). As the respondent's application was filed after May 11, 2005, it is governed by the provisions of the REAL ID Act. See Matter of S-B-, 24 I&N Dec. 42 (BIA 2006). The Immigration Judge found the respondent to be credible (I.J. at 2).

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ORDER: The record will be remanded for further proceedings consistent with the foregoing opinion.

FOR THE BOARD