United States Court of Appeals

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 24-1300

September Term, 2024

EEOC-0720160012 EEOC-2019000598

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Marne K. Mitskog,

Petitioner

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United States Department of Justice,

Respondent

PETITION FOR REVIEW FROM AN ORDER OF THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

BEFORE: Katsas, Rao, and Walker, Circuit Judges

JUDGMENT

This petition for review was considered on the briefs and appendix filed by the parties. <u>See</u> Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2); D.C. Cir. Rule 34(j). Upon consideration of the foregoing, the motion for leave to file a supplemental appendix, the opposition thereto, and the lodged supplemental appendix; and the motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis, it is

ORDERED that the motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis be dismissed as most because petitioner has paid the docketing fee. It is

FURTHER ORDERED that the motion for leave to file a supplemental appendix be granted. The Clerk is directed to file the lodged supplemental appendix. It is

FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the petition be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. <u>See Kokkonen v. Guardian Life Ins. Co. of Am.</u>, 511 U.S. 375, 377 (1994) (holding that the party asserting jurisdiction bears the burden of establishing it). Petitioner's argument for jurisdiction in this court rests solely on the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 551 et seq., but the Act does not provide an independent basis for this court's jurisdiction. <u>Trudeau v. FTC</u>, 456 F.3d 178, 183 (D.C. Cir. 2006). To the extent petitioner contends, in a footnote in her reply brief, that this court may exercise mandamus jurisdiction, the argument is forfeited. <u>See Am. Wildlands v.</u> Kempthorne, 530 F.3d 991, 1001 (D.C. Cir. 2008) (noting that arguments made for the

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first time in a reply brief are forfeited); <u>United States v. All Assets Held at Credit Suisse</u> (<u>Guernsey</u>) <u>Ltd.</u>, 45 F.4th 426, 434 (D.C. Cir. 2022) ("[C]ursory arguments made only in a footnote are forfeited." (internal marks omitted)); <u>Scenic Am., Inc. v. U.S. Dep't of Transp.</u>, 836 F.3d 42, 53 n.4 (D.C. Cir. 2016) ("Although a party cannot forfeit a claim that we lack jurisdiction, it can forfeit a claim that we possess jurisdiction.").

Pursuant to D.C. Circuit Rule 36, this disposition will not be published. The Clerk is directed to withhold issuance of the mandate herein until seven days after resolution of any timely petition for rehearing or petition for rehearing en banc. <u>See</u> Fed. R. App. P. 41(b); D.C. Cir. Rule 41.

Per Curiam