

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
FORT LAUDERDALE DIVISION

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| Myles O'Connor,                              | ) |                              |
|  | ) | Case No. 25-61338-CIV-DAMIAN |
| Petitioner,                                  | ) |                              |
|  | ) |                              |
| v.   | ) | <b>STATUS REPORT</b>         |
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| Warden, Broward Transitional Center, et al.; | ) |                              |
|  | ) |                              |
| Respondents.                                 | ) |                              |
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Petitioner Myles O'Connor respectfully submits this status report.

Mr. O'Connor attended a hearing in immigration court on August 13, 2025. At that hearing, he was scheduled for a merits hearing (also known as an individual hearing) on his asylum application for September 3, 2025. *See* ex. 1, Hearing Notice. A merits hearing is a longer type of hearing where an applicant for immigration relief testifies and presents evidence in support of their application, subject to cross-examination. It resembles a trial. *See* Immigration Court Practice Manual § 4.16. Most people in immigration court only get one merits hearing, and if relief is not granted it typically results in a removal order.

If Mr. O'Connor does not receive a bond hearing until after his merits hearing, the bond hearing will be of greatly reduced benefit for him. It is extremely challenging to gather evidence in support of an asylum claim while detained. Thus, Mr. O'Connor respectfully asks the Court to adjudicate his request for a bond hearing before September 3, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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