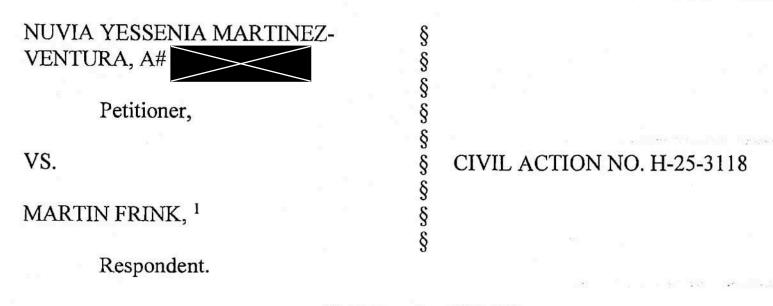
United States District Court Southern District of Texas

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July 11, 2025 Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION



ORDER TO ANSWER

The petitioner, Nuvia Yessenia Martinez-Ventura (A# , is presently in custody of the United States Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") officials at the Houston Contract Detention Facility ("Houston CDF") in Houston, Texas. Represented by counsel, the petitioner has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, challenging her continued detention. Preliminary examination of the petition indicates that an answer is needed. Accordingly, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241, et seq., the Court ORDERS as follows:

1. The Clerk shall deliver copies of the Petition (Doc. No. 1) and this order to: (1) the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas, Nicholas J. Ganjei, by

Warden Martin Frink is substituted as the sole respondent in place of the other listed respondents because he is the petitioner's immediate custodian as the warden of the Houston Contract Detention Facility in Houston, Texas. See Rumsfeld v. Padilla, 542 U.S. 426, 439 (2004); see also 28 U.S.C. § 2243 ("The writ, or order to show cause shall be directed to the person having custody of the person detained.").

certified mail return receipt requested to the Civil Process Clerk, United States Attorney's Office, 1000 Louisiana St., Suite 2300, Houston, TX 77002, and by electronic mail to USATXS.CivilNotice@usdoj.gov.

- The Clerk shall serve copies of the Petition (Doc. No. 1) and this order by certified mail upon: (1) the United States Attorney General Pamela Bondi, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001; and (2) Warden Martin Frink, Houston Contract Detention Facility, 15850 Export Plaza Drive, Houston, Texas 77032.
- Respondent(s) shall file an answer or other appropriate responsive pleadings within sixty (60) days after the date of service and to forward a copy of same to petitioner.

 The respondent is advised that under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(d), if matters outside the pleadings are relied upon, the respondents' motion will be treated as a motion for summary judgment and should be entitled as such.
- 4. In addition to any defense (in law or fact) to a claim for relief by the petitioner, the respondent's answer shall contain: (a) a statement of the authority by which the petitioner is held and, if held under the judgment of a court or administrative tribunal, the name of such court or tribunal and the number and style of the case(s) in which those judgments were entered; and (b) a statement as to whether the petitioner has exhausted all available administrative remedies.
- 5. The petitioner shall file a response within **thirty (30) days** to any dispositive motion filed by the respondent. The petitioner's failure to file a response within thirty days

shall result in dismissal of this action for want of prosecution pursuant to Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

- 6. Each party shall serve the other party, or counsel, with a copy of every pleading, letter or other document submitted for consideration by the court; service shall be by mail to the other party. Every pleading or document filed with the Clerk of Court shall contain a signed certificate stating the date a true and correct copy of the pleading or document was mailed and to whom mailed. Any pleading or other document received by the Clerk which fails to include the certificate of service will be returned to the submitting party. Failure to mail a copy of the pleadings as certified by the certificate will subject the petitioner to sanctions by the court. There will be no direct communications with the U.S. District Judge or Magistrate Judge. Communications must be submitted to the Clerk with copies to the other party.
- 7. The petitioner must notify the court of any change of address by filing a written notice of change of address with the Clerk. The petitioner must also notify any counsel of record for the respondent. Failure to provide such notice may result in this case being dismissed for want of prosecution.

The Clerk's Office will provide a copy of this order to the parties.

SIGNED on this _____ day of July 2025.

ANDREW S. HANEN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE