

THE HONORABLE JAMAL N. WHITEHEAD
THE HONORABLE GRADY J. LEUPOLD

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

8 HA THU THI NGUYEN, 9 Petitioner, 10 v. 11 PAMELA BONDI, Attorney General of the United States; <i>et al.</i> , 12 Respondents.	}	No. CV25-1833-JNW-GJL UNOPPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION FOR BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND REQUEST TO WITHDRAW REFERENCE TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE Note on Motion Calendar: October 24, 2025
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I. INTRODUCTION

In order to expedite a ruling by this Court, and to avoid multiple rounds of briefing on Ms. Nguyen’s petition (dkt. 1), the parties have consulted about the briefing schedule in this case and request that the Court modify the schedule as detailed below.

II. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Ms. Nguyen filed a habeas corpus petition on September 22, 2025 (dkt. 1). On October 1, 2025, Magistrate Judge Grady J. Leupold appointed the Federal Public Defender to represent Ms. Nguyen (dkt. 6). The next day, Magistrate Judge Leupold directed Respondents to file a return within 30 days, with Petitioner’s response due within 21 days after the return, and Respondents’ reply within 28 days after the return.

As matters stand, Ms. Nguyen’s petition is noted for no later than 28 days after the return is filed. After that, the parties would await a report and recommendation, with any objections due within 14 days and any reply to the objections due within another 14

1 days. In short, this matter would not be ripe for at least six more weeks, plus time for
2 issuance of an R&R, and the parties would have to litigate the matter in a second round
3 of briefing to the District Court through objections to the R&R and reply to the
4 objections.

5 **III. PROPOSED JOINT SCHEDULING**

6 In order to expedite resolution of this matter, Petitioner requests—and the
7 government does not oppose—that the Court withdraw the referral to Magistrate Judge
8 Leupold to expedite a final ruling by the Court. In addition, Respondents have further
9 agreed to file a return by October 28, 2025, and waive their right to a reply to
10 Petitioner’s response. Petitioner’s response would be due October 31, 2025. The matter
11 would then be noted for October 31, 2025.

12 This motion and request are modeled on orders issued in multiple cases in this
13 district, including in *Tran v. Scott*, 2:25-cv-01886-TMC-BAT (dkt. 8), and
14 *Hambarsonpour v. Bondi*, 2:25-cv-01802-RSM (dkt. 11), which expedited briefing and
15 withdrew the reference to the Magistrate Judge.

16 Counsel has communicated with AUSA Alixandria Morris, who states that the
17 Respondents do not oppose this motion and request.

18 DATED this 24th day of October 2025.

19 Respectfully submitted,

20 *s/ Colin Fieman*

21 Attorney for Ha Thu Thi Nguyen

22 I certify this motion contains 353 words in compliance with the Local Civil Rules.
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