

District Judge James L. Robart
Magistrate Judge Brian A. Tsuchida

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

VU THANH TRAN,

Petitioner,

v.

PAMELA BONDI, *et al.*,

Respondents.

Case No. 2:25-cv-01897-JLR-BAT

**STIPULATED MOTION TO SET
BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

Noted for Consideration:
October 22, 2025

Petitioner Vu Thanh Tran and Federal Respondents, in order to improve efficiency for both the Parties and the Court on Mr. Tran's pending Motion for Preliminary Injunction and Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus, hereby stipulate to a briefing schedule as follows. A comparable Order was recently issued in *Tran v. Scott*, 2:25-cv-01886-TMC-BAT (Dkt. 8).

I. STATEMENT OF FACTS

Mr. Tran filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus on October 1, 2025 (Dkt. 1). He filed a Motion for Preliminary Injunction on that same date (Dkt. 3). On October 2, 2025, this Court referred the preliminary injunction motion to the Hon. Brian A. Tsuchida. On October 7, 2025, Judge Tsuchida appointed the Federal Public Defender to represent Mr. Tran (Dkt. 6). To date, the Court has not ordered Respondents to file a return to Mr. Tran's petition.

1 As matters currently stand, Respondents' response to Mr. Tran's preliminary injunction
2 motion would be due October 22, 2025, and Judge Tsuchida would issue a Report and
3 Recommendation, after which there would be an opportunity for objection and response.
4 Respondents would also need to file a return to Mr. Tran's petition on a schedule to be set by the
5 Court, which would generate a second R&R with another round of objections and responses.

6 **I. STIPULATED MOTION**

7 To avoid multiple rounds of briefing on each of the petition and the motion, the parties
8 stipulate to the following:

9 Petitioner will withdraw his motion for a preliminary injunction.

10 Federal Respondents will file a response to the habeas petition no later than October 27,
11 2025. Any arguments that the petition should be dismissed shall be made in the response and not
12 by separate motion.

13 Petitioner will file a reply no later than November 3, 2025.

14 The Court will note the habeas petition for November 3, 2025.

15 The parties further request that the Court terminate the referral to Magistrate Judge
16 Tsuchida, in order to expedite a final ruling by the Court.

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1 DATED this 22nd day of October, 2025.

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12 words, in compliance with the Local Civil
13 Rules.

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1 **[PROPOSED] ORDER**

2 Pursuant to the stipulation of the parties, it is hereby ORDERED that the following briefing
3 schedule shall be entered:

4 Federal Respondents shall file a response to the habeas petition no later than October 27,
5 2025. Any arguments that the petition should be dismissed shall be made in the response and not
6 by separate motion.

7 Petitioner will file a reply no later than November 3, 2025.

8 The Court will note the habeas petition for November 3, 2025.

9 Because this Court will address the expedited habeas petition, the Court terminates the
10 referral to Magistrate Judge Brian A. Tsuchida.

11 IT IS SO ORDERED.

12 DATED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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15 JAMES L. ROBART
16 United States District Judge

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18 Recommended for entry this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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21 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA
22 United States Magistrate Judge