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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA.
BAKERSFIELD, CA

HARMANPREET SINGH

Petitioner,

v.

SERGIO ALBARRAN, Field Office Director
of Enforcement and Removal Operations, **ERO**
San Francisco Field Office, Immigration and
Customs Enforcement; **Kristi NOEM**,
Secretary, U.S. Department of Homeland
Security; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY; **Todd M. Lyons**,
Acting Director of the United States
Immigration and Customs Enforcement;
Pamela BONDI, U.S. Attorney General;
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION
REVIEW; **Warden**, California City Corrections
Center

Respondents

Case No.

**PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS
CORPUS UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2241
AND COMPLAINT FOR
INJUNCTIVE
AND DECLARATORY RELIEF**

1 Pursuant to Rule 65(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Petitioner hereby moves
2 the Court for emergency relief in the form of a temporary restraining order directing Respondents
3 to release Petitioner from his custody with no additional conditions of release that were not
4 imposed prior to his detention in 2025 or to provide Petitioner with individualized bond hearing
5 before an immigration judge pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a).

6 Petitioner also seeks a temporary restraining order enjoining the Respondents from
7 relocating Petitioner outside of the Eastern District of California pending final resolution of this
8 case. Transfer outside this District would impede the Court's jurisdiction over the habeas petition,
9 frustrate Petitioner's access to counsel, and risk mooted the requested relief. The Eastern District
10 of California is the district of confinement, and habeas jurisdiction attaches to the immediate
11 custodian. Any transfer during pendency of this action would defeat the Court's ability to provide
12 effective relief. Courts in this District routinely prohibit such transfers in immigration habeas
13 matters.
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15 Petitioner further moves for the issuance of an order to show cause as to why a preliminary
16 injunction should not issue.

17 This application is supported by the Memorandum of Points and Authorities,
18 accompanying exhibits, as well as any additional submissions that may be considered by the Court.

19 Undersigned counsel has contacted the Paralegal of U.S. Attorneys, Cheri Buxbaum,
20 (Cheri.Buxbaum@usdoj.gov) to know who will be assigned to the matter and ascertain
21 Respondents' position regarding the TRO and is awaiting their reply.
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23 Respectfully submitted,

24 Date: December 11, 2025

25 /s/ Manpreet Singh Gahra
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I, the undersigned, declare that my office is in Pleasanton, California. I am over the age of eighteen (18) years and not a party to the action within. On December 11, 2025, I served the following documents: **PETITIONER'S EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE** by placing a true and correct copy in a sealed envelope, each addressed as follows:

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1 I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on
2 December 11, 2025, at Pleasanton, California.

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