

AO 242 (Rev. 09/17) Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
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ALKhatatbeh, Malek
Petitioner

v.



Case No. A 

SA25CA1946 OG

Respondent
(name of warden or authorized person having custody of petitioner)

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2241

Personal Information

1. (a) Your full name: AL Khatatbeh, Malek.
 (b) Other names you have used: NA
2. Place of confinement:
 (a) Name of institution: GEO Karnes County Immigration processing C.
 (b) Address: 566 Veterans Drive
PEARSAU Texas TX 78061
 (c) Your identification number: 
3. Are you currently being held on orders by: 
 Federal authorities State authorities Other - explain:
ICE
4. Are you currently:
 A pretrial detainee (waiting for trial on criminal charges)
 Serving a sentence (incarceration, parole, probation, etc.) after having been convicted of a crime
 If you are currently serving a sentence, provide:
 (a) Name and location of court that sentenced you: _____
 (b) Docket number of criminal case: _____
 (c) Date of sentencing: _____
 Being held on an immigration charge
 Other (explain): I have detained for six-months based on immigration court decision to withhold Removal and finding a safe third country.

Decision or Action You Are Challenging

5. What are you challenging in this petition:
 How your sentence is being carried out, calculated, or credited by prison or parole authorities (for example, revocation or calculation of good time credits)

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- Pretrial detention
- Immigration detention
- Detainer
- The validity of your conviction or sentence as imposed (for example, sentence beyond the statutory maximum or improperly calculated under the sentencing guidelines)
- Disciplinary proceedings

Other (explain): unjustified detefion for six-month while finding a safe third country.

6. Provide more information about the decision or action you are challenging:

(a) Name and location of the agency or court:

Immigration Court St Antonio, Texas

(b) Docket number, case number, or opinion number:

A221-342-695

(c) Decision or action you are challenging (for disciplinary proceedings, specify the penalties imposed):

to Detained un-necessirly for six-months while ICE is searching for a third safe country.

(d) Date of the decision or action:

07-15-2025

Your Earlier Challenges of the Decision or Action

7. **First appeal**

Did you appeal the decision, file a grievance, or seek an administrative remedy?

- Yes
- No

(a) If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____

(2) Date of filing: _____

(3) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

NA

(b) If you answered "No," explain why you did not appeal:

ICE did not explain the problem to me.

8. **Second appeal**

After the first appeal, did you file a second appeal to a higher authority, agency, or court?

- Yes
- No

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(a) If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____

(2) Date of filing: _____ *N/A*

(3) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

NA

(b) If you answered "No," explain why you did not file a second appeal: _____

ICE did explain my Rights.

9. **Third appeal**

After the second appeal, did you file a third appeal to a higher authority, agency, or court?

Yes No

(a) If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____

(2) Date of filing: _____

(3) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

NA

(b) If you answered "No," explain why you did not file a third appeal: _____

ICE did explain my Rights.

10. **Motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255**

In this petition, are you challenging the validity of your conviction or sentence as imposed?

Yes No

If "Yes," answer the following:

(a) Have you already filed a motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 that challenged this conviction or sentence?

Yes No

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If "Yes," provide:

- (1) Name of court: _____
- (2) Case number: _____
- (3) Date of filing: _____
- (4) Result: _____
- (5) Date of result: _____ *NA*
- (6) Issues raised: _____

(b) Have you ever filed a motion in a United States Court of Appeals under 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b)(3)(A), seeking permission to file a second or successive Section 2255 motion to challenge this conviction or sentence?

Yes No

If "Yes," provide:

- (1) Name of court: _____
- (2) Case number: _____
- (3) Date of filing: _____
- (4) Result: _____
- (5) Date of result: _____
- (6) Issues raised: _____ *NA*

(c) Explain why the remedy under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 is inadequate or ineffective to challenge your conviction or sentence:

ICE does not explain detainees' Right on how to appeal.

11. Appeals of immigration proceedings

Does this case concern immigration proceedings?

Yes No

If "Yes," provide:

- (a) Date you were taken into immigration custody: _____
- (b) Date of the removal or reinstatement order: _____ *NA*
- (c) Did you file an appeal with the Board of Immigration Appeals?

Yes No

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If "Yes," provide:

- (1) Date of filing: _____
- (2) Case number: _____
- (3) Result: _____
- (4) Date of result: _____
- (5) Issues raised: _____ *NA*

(d) Did you appeal the decision to the United States Court of Appeals?

Yes No

If "Yes," provide:

- (1) Name of court: _____
- (2) Date of filing: _____
- (3) Case number: _____
- (4) Result: _____
- (5) Date of result: _____
- (6) Issues raised: _____ *NA*

12. **Other appeals**

Other than the appeals you listed above, have you filed any other petition, application, or motion about the issues raised in this petition?

Yes No

If "Yes," provide:

- (a) Kind of petition, motion, or application: _____
- (b) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____

- (c) Date of filing: _____
- (d) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____ *NA*
- (e) Result: _____
- (f) Date of result: _____
- (g) Issues raised: _____

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Grounds for Your Challenge in This Petition

- 13. State every ground (reason) that supports your claim that you are being held in violation of the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the United States. Attach additional pages if you have more than four grounds. State the facts supporting each ground. Any legal arguments must be submitted in a separate memorandum.

GROUND ONE:

I have been detained for six months since the immigration court order on 07-15-2025 waiting for ICE to process the court decision

(a) Supporting facts (Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.):

detention for such long time after the court order has been issued violated the USA immigration law.

(b) Did you present Ground One in all appeals that were available to you?

- Yes
- No

GROUND TWO:

N/A

(a) Supporting facts (Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.):

N/A

(b) Did you present Ground Two in all appeals that were available to you?

- Yes
- No

GROUND THREE:

N/A

(a) Supporting facts (Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.):

N/A

(b) Did you present Ground Three in all appeals that were available to you?

- Yes
- No

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GROUND FOUR:

_____ NA

(a) Supporting facts (Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.):

_____ NA

(b) Did you present Ground Four in all appeals that were available to you?

Yes No

14. If there are any grounds that you did not present in all appeals that were available to you, explain why you did not:

_____ N/A

Request for Relief

15. State exactly what you want the court to do:

1/ I appeal to the Court to be released to the United States based on the fact that my ~~pro~~withholding of Removal under INA § 241(b)(3) was granted.
2/ the ICE officer assured me that I will be detained for 1-2 months till we find a safe third country, but have been detained for 6-months without any update.

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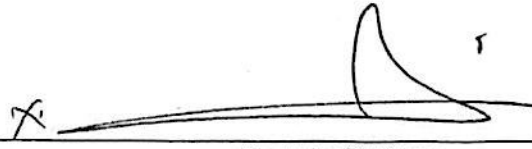
Declaration Under Penalty Of Perjury

If you are incarcerated, on what date did you place this petition in the prison mail system:

12.24.2025 Kanawha County processing center

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the petitioner, I have read this petition or had it read to me, and the information in this petition is true and correct. I understand that a false statement of a material fact may serve as the basis for prosecution for perjury.

Date: 12.24.2025


Signature of Petitioner

W/A
Signature of Attorney or other authorized person, if any



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW
PEARSALL IMMIGRATION COURT

Respondent Name:

ALKHATATBEH, MALEK

To:

ALKHATATBEH, MALEK
C/O STIPC
566 VETERANS DRIVE
PEARSALL, TX 78061

A-Number:



Riders:

In Removal Proceedings

Initiated by the Department of Homeland Security

Date:

07/15/2025

ORDER OF THE IMMIGRATION JUDGE

- This is a summary of the oral decision entered on 07/15/2025. The oral decision in this case is the official opinion, and the immigration court issued this summary for the convenience of the parties.
- Both parties waived the issuance of a formal oral decision in this proceeding.

I. Removability

The immigration court found Respondent removable inadmissible under the following Section(s) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA or Act): 212(a)(6)(A)(i); 212(a)(7)(A)(i)(I)

The immigration court found Respondent not removable not inadmissible under the following Section(s) of the Act:

II. Applications for Relief

Respondent's application for:

A. Asylum/Withholding/Convention Against Torture

- Asylum was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice
- Withholding of Removal under INA § 241(b)(3) was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice
- Withholding of Removal under the Convention Against Torture was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice
- Deferral of Removal under the Convention Against Torture was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice
- Respondent knowingly filed a frivolous application for asylum after notice of the consequences. *See* INA § 208(d)(6); 8 C.F.R. §1208.20

B. Cancellation of Removal

- Cancellation of Removal for Lawful Permanent Residents under INA § 240A(a) was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice
- Cancellation of Removal for Nonpermanent Residents under INA § 240A(b)(1) was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice
- Special Rule Cancellation of Removal under INA § 240A(b)(2) was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice

C. Waiver

- A waiver under INA § was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice

D. Adjustment of Status

- Adjustment of Status under INA § was granted denied withdrawn with prejudice withdrawn without prejudice

E. Other

Withholding/deferral of removal under CAT not reached in light of 241(b)(3) withholding grant

III. Voluntary Departure

- Respondent's application for pre-conclusion voluntary departure under INA § 240B(a) post-conclusion voluntary departure under INA § 240B(b) was denied.
- Respondent's application for pre-conclusion voluntary departure under INA § 240B(a) post-conclusion voluntary departure under INA § 240B(b) was granted, and Respondent is ordered to depart by . The respondent must post a \$ bond with DHS within five business days of this order. Failure to post the bond as required or to depart by the required date will result in an alternate order of removal to taking effect immediately.
- The respondent is subject to the following conditions to ensure his or her timely departure from the United States:
 - Further information regarding voluntary departure has been added to the record.
 - Respondent was advised of the limitation on discretionary relief, the consequences for failure to depart as ordered, the bond posting requirements, and the consequences of filing a post-order motion to reopen or reconsider:

If Respondent fails to voluntarily depart within the time specified or any extensions granted by the DHS, Respondent shall be subject to a civil monetary penalty as provided by relevant statute, regulation, and policy. *See* INA § 240B(d)(1). The immigration court has set

- the presumptive civil monetary penalty amount of \$3,000.00 USD
- \$ USD instead of the presumptive amount.

If Respondent fails to voluntarily depart within the time specified, the alternate order of removal shall automatically take effect, and Respondent shall be ineligible, for a period of

10 years, for voluntary departure or for relief under sections 240A, 245, 248, and 249 of the Act, to include cancellation of removal, adjustment of status, registry, or change of nonimmigrant status. *Id.* If Respondent files a motion to reopen or reconsider prior to the expiration of the voluntary departure period set forth above, the grant of voluntary departure is automatically terminated; the period allowed for voluntary departure is not stayed, tolled, or extended. If the grant of voluntary departure is automatically terminated upon the filing of such a motion, the penalties for failure to depart under section 240B(d) of the Act shall not apply.

If Respondent appeals this decision, Respondent must provide to the Board of Immigration Appeals (Board), within 30 days of filing an appeal, sufficient proof of having posted the voluntary departure bond. The Board will not reinstate the voluntary departure period in its final order if Respondent does not submit timely proof to the Board that the voluntary departure bond has been posted.

In the case of conversion to a removal order where the alternate order of removal immediately takes effect, where Respondent willfully fails or refuses to depart from the United States pursuant to the order of removal, to make timely application in good faith for travel or other documents necessary to depart the United States, to present himself or herself at the time and place required for removal by the DHS, or conspires to or takes any action designed to prevent or hamper Respondent's departure pursuant to the order of removal, Respondent may be subject to a civil monetary penalty for each day Respondent is in violation. If Respondent is removable pursuant to INA § 237(a), then he or she shall be further fined or imprisoned for up to 10 years.

IV. Removal

Respondent was ordered removed to Jordan (ordered withheld pursuant to 241(b)(3) grant above)

In the alternative, Respondent was ordered removed to

Respondent was advised of the penalties for failure to depart pursuant to the removal order:

If Respondent is subject to a final order of removal and willfully fails or refuses to depart from the United States pursuant to the order, to make timely application in good faith for travel or other documents necessary to depart the United States, to present himself or herself at the time and place required for removal by the DHS, or conspires to or takes any action designed to prevent or hamper Respondent's departure pursuant to the order of removal, Respondent may be subject to a civil monetary penalty for each day Respondent is in violation. If Respondent is removable pursuant to INA § 237(a), then he or she shall be further fined or imprisoned for up to 10 years.

V. Other

Proceedings were dismissed terminated with prejudice
 terminated without prejudice administratively closed.

Respondent's status was rescinded under INA § 246.

Other:




Immigration Judge: JULIUS, DEREK 07/15/2025

Appeal: Department of Homeland Security: waived reserved
Respondent: waived reserved

Appeal Due: 08/14/2025

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