

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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Southern District of Texas

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
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RIVERO VARGAS, [Redacted]

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FILED BY NEXT FRIEND  
Petitioner  
AMILCAR RIVERO

DILEY IMMIGRATION PROCESSING CENTER

300 El Rancho Way  
Dilley, TX 78017

Case No.

(Supplied by Clerk of Court)

SA26CA0157 FB

Respondent

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

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Personal Information

1. (a) Your full name: RIVERO VARGAS, [Redacted]  
(b) Other names you have used: N/A
2. Place of confinement:  
(a) Name of institution: [Redacted]  
(b) Address: [Redacted]  
SAN ANTONIO, [Redacted]  
(c) Your identification number: A-[Redacted] SSN [Redacted]
3. Are you currently being held on orders by:  
☐ Federal authorities ☐ State authorities ☒ Other - explain:  
DILEY IMMIGRATION PROCESSING (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: IMMIGRATION COURT- DILLEY, TX  
Judge: Terril, Kevin. on 02/26/2026 court day at the Detention Center  
(b) Docket number of criminal case: 12/04/2023  
(c) Date of sentencing: 01/05/2026  
☐ Being held on an immigration charge  
☒ Other (explain): She have detained by ICE on her normal appointment included with the 2 children (female) with out explanation and have send to Dilley Immigration Processing Center on Jan 05, 2026, one of my childre she is 13 yrs old have court on Detention center same place. My family ready have Asylum present on 7/17/24

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):

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

(a) Name and location of the agency or court: Dilley Immigration Processing Center, 300 El Rancho Way, Dilley TX 78017. My family is Detained without a warrant.

(b) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: 12/04/2023 A 

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

(d) Date of the decision or action:

#### 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:

(b) If you answered "No," explain why you did not appeal: because the court day is not yet with thee Judge she have a court on 26 Feb 2026 with Judge Terrill, Kevin at Dilley, Texas Detencion Center.

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:
- (3) Docket number, case number, or opinion number:
- (4) Result:
- (5) Date of result:
- (6) Issues raised:

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

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:

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

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:
- (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:

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

**11. Appeals of immigration proceedings**

Does this case concern immigration proceedings?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If "Yes," provide:

- (a) Date you were taken into immigration custody: 01/05/2026
- (b) Date of the removal or reinstatement order:
- (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:

(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:

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: \_\_\_\_\_

(e) Result:

(f) Date of result:

(g) Issues raised:

**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:**

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

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

**GROUND TWO:**

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

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

**GROUND THREE:**

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

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

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**GROUND FOUR:**

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

(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:

**Request for Relief**

15. State exactly what you want the court to do: My request, as the husband and father of my two daughters,  is that they be released. They were detained during one of their routine ICE appointments in San Antonio, without any explanation. My family was detained, even though only my wife had the appointment; my daughters were only accompanying their mother, but the agents detained all three of them. I ask that my family be released because my daughters are becoming depressed and, like everyone else,

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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:

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: 01/13/2026

Rivero Soret, Amilcar  
*Signature of Petitioner*

*Signature of Attorney or other authorized person, if any*

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**Instructions**

1. **Who Should Use This Form.** You should use this form if
  - you are a federal prisoner and you wish to challenge the way your sentence is being carried out (*for example, you claim that the Bureau of Prisons miscalculated your sentence or failed to properly award good time credits*);
  - you are in federal or state custody because of something other than a judgment of conviction (*for example, you are in pretrial detention or are awaiting extradition*); or
  - you are alleging that you are illegally detained in immigration custody.
2. **Who Should Not Use This Form.** You should not use this form if
  - you are challenging the validity of a federal judgment of conviction and sentence (*these challenges are generally raised in a motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255*);
  - you are challenging the validity of a state judgment of conviction and sentence (*these challenges are generally raised in a petition under 28 U.S.C. § 2254*); or
  - you are challenging a final order of removal in an immigration case (*these challenges are generally raised in a petition for review directly with a United States Court of Appeals*).
3. **Preparing the Petition.** The petition must be typed or neatly written, and you must sign and date it under penalty of perjury. A false statement may lead to prosecution.
4. **Answer all the questions.** You do not need to cite law. You may submit additional pages if necessary. If you do not fill out the form properly, you will be asked to submit additional or correct information. If you want to submit any legal arguments, you must submit them in a separate memorandum. Be aware that any such memorandum may be subject to page limits set forth in the local rules of the court where you file this petition. If you attach additional pages, number the pages and identify which section of the petition is being continued. All filings must be submitted on paper sized 8½ by 11 inches. **Do not use the back of any page.**
5. **Supporting Documents.** In addition to your petition, you must send to the court a copy of the decisions you are challenging and a copy of any briefs or administrative remedy forms filed in your case.
6. **Required Filing Fee.** You must include the \$5 filing fee required by 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). If you are unable to pay the filing fee, you must ask the court for permission to proceed in forma pauperis – that is, as a person who cannot pay the filing fee – by submitting the documents that the court requires.
7. **Submitting Documents to the Court.** Mail your petition and \_\_\_\_\_ copies to the clerk of the United States District Court for the district and division in which you are confined. For a list of districts and divisions, see 28 U.S.C. §§ 81-131. All copies must be identical to the original. Copies may be legibly handwritten.

If you want a file-stamped copy of the petition, you must enclose an additional copy of the petition and ask the court to file-stamp it and return it to you.
8. **Change of Address.** You must immediately notify the court in writing of any change of address. If you do not, the court may dismiss your case.