

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
ORLANDO DIVISION

UZCATEGUI RODRIGUEZ,

Petitioner,

Vs.

Case no. 6:26-cv-183-RBD-DCI

LOUIS QUINONES, JR.,
Et al.,

Respondents.

**RESPONDENTS' RESPONSE TO ORDER GRANTING
HABEAS PETITION (DOC. 6)**

Respondents hereby respond to the Court's order (Doc. 6) granting the petition for writ of habeas corpus in this matter as follows.

The petition in this matter was filed on January 24, 2026 (Doc. 1) and a motion for temporary restraining order was filed on the same day. Doc. 2. The Court granted the motion for TRO at 11:49 a.m. on January 26, 2026, and ordered that "Respondents are TEMPORARILY RESTRAINED AND ENJOINED from moving Petitioner ... out of the Orange County Jail until further order of the Court." Doc. 4.

The respondents answered the petition and the Court granted the petition the following day on January 30, 2026. Doc. 6. Among other things, the Court ordered that

If Petitioner is not currently in the Orange County Jail, Respondents are DIRECTED not to release Petitioner until further order; if that is the case, Respondents are DIRECTED to show cause by written response before Monday, February 2nd why they should not be held in contempt for violating the Court's prior Order not to move Petitioner out of the Orange County Jail. (Doc. 4.)

Respondents submit this response to assure the Court that they have abided by the Court's orders in this matter. The petitioner was physically at the Orange County Jail when the Court granted his petition. We attach the detention history for the petitioner as Exhibit A which shows this. He was detained at the Orange County Jail until January 25, 2026, at which time he was moved to the Florida Soft Sided Facility. Obviously, this action was taken prior to the Court's TRO on January 26, 2026. In light of the subsequent injunction requiring that he remain in the Orange County Jail, the petitioner was returned to Orange County Jail until his release. Doc. 7. Because Petitioner's move from the Orange County Jail preceded the Court's Temporary Restraining Order, and because he was promptly returned to Orange County Jail in compliance with the Court's requirements,

Respondents should not be held in contempt for failing to abide by the injunction imposed by the TRO.

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on February 1, 2026, I caused a true copy of the foregoing to be filed using the Court's CM/ECF filing system, which will send an electronic notice of filing to all counsel of record.

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