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12 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
13 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

14 Dien Nguyen,
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Petitioner,
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v.
17 Bondi, et al.,
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Respondents.
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Case No. 2:26-cv-00186-JAD-BNW

**RESPONDENT MATTOS' RESPONSE
TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
(Dkt. 4)**

20 Respondent John Mattos submits this Response to Order to Show Cause (Dkt. 4). As
21 Warden of the Nevada Southern Detention Center ("NSDC"), a private facility owned and
22 operated by CoreCivic, Inc. pursuant to a detention services agreement with U.S. Immigration
23 and Customs Enforcement ("ICE"), Warden Mattos had (and has) no involvement in
24 Petitioner's immigration proceedings and no independent authority to release Petitioner. As
25 such, Warden Mattos and CoreCivic take no position on the habeas or bond relief sought.
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1 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 23rd day of February 2026.

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