

January 23, 2026

Clerk of Court
United States District Court
Southern District of Georgia
801 Gloucester Street
Brunswick, GA 31520

Re: **Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (28 U.S.C. § 2241)**
Petitioner: **Manuel Gregorio Salazar Jimenez**

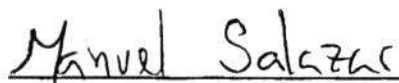
Dear Clerk of Court:

Please find enclosed for filing my **Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241**, together with my **Motion to Proceed In Forma Pauperis**. I am currently detained at the Folkston ICE Processing Center in Folkston, Georgia, and I am proceeding **pro se**.

I respectfully request that the enclosed documents be filed and that a case number be assigned. If possible, I kindly ask that a file-stamped copy be returned for my records.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



Manuel Gregorio Salazar Jimenez

Petitioner, Pro Se

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA**

MANUEL GREGORIO SALAZAR JIMENEZ, Petitioner,

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v.

DIRECTOR, FOLKSTON ICE PROCESSING CENTER;

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Field Office Director, ICE Atlanta;

SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY;

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES,

Respondents.


PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

(28 U.S.C. § 2241) — PRO SE

I. JURISDICTION

I, MANUEL GREGORIO SALAZAR JIMENEZ, submit this Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241, because I am currently in the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) within the Southern District of Georgia, specifically at the Folkston ICE Processing Center in Folkston, Georgia. This action is brought because my detention violates my rights under the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution. This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331.

II. IDENTIFICATION OF PETITIONER

My name is MANUEL GREGORIO SALAZAR JIMENEZ. I am a native and citizen of Venezuela. I am currently detained at the Folkston ICE Processing Center, located at 3026 GA-252 E, Folkston, Georgia 31537. My Alien Registration Number is 

III. STATEMENT OF FACTS

1 Since July 29, 2025, I have been in the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

- 2 From that date to the present, I have remained continuously detained without being brought before an Immigration Judge.
- 3 Throughout this period, I have not received a bond hearing, I have not been afforded any judicial review, and I have not been informed of any active removal proceedings before an Immigration Court.
- 4 My case does not appear in the EOIR (Executive Office for Immigration Review) system, which indicates that no Notice to Appear (NTA) has been properly filed with an Immigration Court and that no removal proceedings are currently pending against me.
- 5 Despite the absence of an active immigration case, ICE continues to detain me without judicial supervision, without a hearing, and without any individualized determination justifying the necessity of my continued detention.
- 6 My detention has been prolonged without a defined end, without the oversight of a competent judge, and without a meaningful opportunity to challenge its legality.

IV. CONSTITUTIONAL ARGUMENT

My current detention constitutes an unlawful and arbitrary deprivation of my liberty, in direct violation of the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

I understand that immigration proceedings are civil and administrative in nature, and not punitive. However, in practice, my prolonged confinement without a bond hearing, without judicial review, and without an active case before an Immigration Court has transformed my detention into a de facto punitive measure.

My custody resembles an anticipatory criminal punishment, imposed without a conviction, without a trial, and without the intervention of a judge, which is

constitutionally impermissible in a system governed by due process of law.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241, this Honorable Court has full authority to review the legality of my detention and to order appropriate relief when such detention violates the Constitution of the United States.

V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

For the foregoing reasons, I respectfully request that this Court declare that my detention violates the Fifth Amendment, order that I be provided with an immediate bond hearing before a neutral adjudicator, or, in the alternative, order my immediate release under reasonable conditions of supervision.

VI. DECLARATION

I declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to the laws of the United States, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Manuel Salazar

MANUEL GREGORIO SALAZAR JIMENEZ

Petitioner, PRO SE

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA**

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v.

DIRECTOR, FOLKSTON ICE PROCESSING CENTER, et al., Respondents.

**MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS
PRO SE**

I, **MANUEL GREGORIO SALAZAR JIMENEZ**, respectfully submit this Motion to Proceed In Forma Pauperis in connection with my Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241, and state as follows:

I. DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL INABILITY

I am currently detained in the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at the Folkston ICE Processing Center in Folkston, Georgia. Due to my detention, I am unemployed and have no source of income. I do not possess cash, bank accounts, real property, vehicles, or other assets of value that would allow me to pay the filing fees required by this Honorable Court. Any occasional assistance I may receive from family members or third parties is limited and insufficient to cover such costs.

II. GOOD FAITH

I submit this motion in good faith for the sole purpose of exercising my constitutional rights and seeking judicial review of the legality of my detention. My Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus is not frivolous or malicious and raises serious constitutional issues concerning my deprivation of liberty without a bond hearing or judicial review.

III. REQUEST

Accordingly, I respectfully request that this Honorable Court grant me leave to

proceed without prepayment of fees or costs pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915, and grant such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

IV. DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to the laws of the United States, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Manuel Salazar
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