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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.

JUDGE KATHLEEN CARDONE

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
EL PASO DIVISION

Raidel Blanco

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Writ of Habeas Corpus
BY [Signature] Petitioner

EP 26CV0229

Case No. _____

(Supplied by Clerk of Court)

KRISTI NOEM. Secretary of the
Homeland Security. Pamela Jo Bondi.
Attorney General, Warden, ERO El
PASO CAMP EAST MONTANA

Respondent

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

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Personal Information

1. (a) Your full name: Raidel Blanco Fajardo
(b) Other names you have used: none
2. Place of confinement:
(a) Name of institution: ERO EL PASO CAMP EAST MONTANA
(b) Address: 6920 Digital Road
El Paso, TX 79936
(c) Your identification number: [Redacted]
3. Are you currently being held on orders by:
☒ Federal authorities ☐ State authorities ☐ Other - explain:
IMMIGRATION CUSTODY
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): _____

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): Boone County Kentucky Immigration and Custom Enforcement.

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

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

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

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

The immigration Judge denied me a bond hearing because I am held under 8 USC 1236(c) due to my conviction for drug charge.

(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: _____

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: _____

(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: _____

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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: My continued detention is unconstitutional under the 5th and 8th Amendment of the Constitution because I have now spend 8 months in custody and my detention is not necessary

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 Do not cite cases or law.):

PETITIONER IS SUFFERING AND WILL CONTINUE TO SUFFER irreparable injury because of the government's actions. Every day that he is held in custody he suffer further injury, which is irreparable. because the DHS's interpretation of the immigration and Nationality Act is arbitrary and capricious. See ^{Memora} ~~Memora~~

(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: The only decision I could possible appeal is the immigration court's lack of jurisdiction based on the statute. neither the immigration court nor the BIA can decide the constitutionality of that statute as applied to me. It would be futile to appeal the decision to deny me a bond hearing.

Request for Relief

15. State exactly what you want the court to do: Order my immediate release from detention, or, in the alternative, a bond hearing at which the government should bear the burden of proof by clear and convincing evidence that I should be detained

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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:

27-01-2027

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. *And I have place a copy of the petition addresses to The Attorney General below*

Date: 27-01-2026



Signature of Petitioner

Signature of Attorney or other authorized person, if any

*Pamela Jo Bondi
US Attorney General
950 Pennsylvania Ave. North West
Washington. DC 20530*

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Memorandum

PETITIONER Ridel Blanco is 28 years old he arrive at the United State in 1999 at the age of 4. he was arrested in 2018 and 2023.

Immigration take him into custody on May 2, 2025. A Judge order his removal on August 19, 2025.

PETITIONER have now spend 8 months in custody and is suffering and will continue to suffer irreparable injury because the government's actions. because the DHS's interpretation of the of the immigration and nationality Act is arbitrary and capricious. an erroneous interpretation of the Law, and violates the Eighth Amendment and the Due Process Clause of the Constitution of the United States; and stating further that Petitioner is entitled to an individualized bond hearing before a neutral Judge.

PETITIONER Removal Order is final. but Petitioner cannot be removed to Cuba or any other country. Thus Petitioner remains indefinitely detained in ICE custody and has been confined for a period far longer than the Law mandates under 8 USC § 1231(a)(2)-(2) once an alien has been ordered removed the Attorney General must carry out the removal within a period of 90 days, during which time the alien shall be detained.

The post removal period provision of the same statute 8 USC § 1231(a)(6) allows for certain

1 Aliens to be detained beyond the removal period. but
 2 The Supreme Court explicitly limited this detention
 3 period in *Zadvydas v. Davis* 533 U.S. 678 (2001) in
 4 that case. The Court held that § 1231(a)(6) restricts
 5 an alien's post removal period detention to a period
 6 reasonably to bring about that alien's removal and
 7 that it does not permit indefinite detention. *Zadvydas*
 8 533 U.S. at 689. The Court found that a presumption
 9 exist that an alien may not be held longer than
 10 six months. The general rule is that an alien may
 11 no longer be confined when there is no significant
 12 likelihood of removal in the reasonably foreseeable
 13 future." *Id.* at 701. In *Clark v. Martinez* the Supreme
 14 Court extended this holding to inadmissible aliens.
 15 125 S. Ct 716, 722 (2005).

16 The question as to whether Petitioner's
 17 detention is in violation of the law of the United States
 18 is one for a federal habeas court to hear. 28 USC § 2241.

19 Accordingly Petitioner file the accompanying
 20 habeas corpus petition pursuant to 28 USC § 2241.
 21 requesting that this Honorable Court order Petitioner's
 22 release otherwise Petitioner will suffer irreparable harm
 23 to his liberty interest under the 5th and 8th Amendment.

24 Respectfully Submitted

25 27-01-2026

26 *[Signature]*
 27 IN REPLY TO ORDER.