

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA
Civil No. 0:26-cv-00886-LMP-DJF

ALBA MARIA GUAMA CAIZAGUANO,

Petitioner,

**FEDERAL RESPONDENTS’
MOTION TO DISMISS
OR TRANSFER**

v.

DAVID EASTERWOOD, *et al.*,

Respondents.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a), Respondents David Easterwood, Acting Director, St. Paul Field Office Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Kristi Noem, Pamela Bondi, and Todd Lyons (collectively, “the Federal Respondents”) move to dismiss this habeas petition for improper venue or transfer it to the District of New Mexico. The respondent in this case was transferred to El Paso Camp East Montana detention facility in El Paso, TX at 0604 CST on 09 January, 2026, per Agency Records. The Petitioner was then transferred to Otero County Processing Center, in New Mexico, on 18 January 2026, at 1940 CST. This predates the petition and order, and the **petition was dated 30 January 2026**. The proper jurisdiction for the filing of a habeas petition would be in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico, under 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a). Habeas petitions must be filed in the jurisdiction where the Petitioner is detained. We thus suggest

that this be transferred to the District of New Mexico, where jurisdiction would be appropriate.

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