

AO 242 (Rev. 09/17) Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

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CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
BY [Signature]
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Petitioner

v.

Respondent

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

SA26CA0662 OG

Case No.

(Supplied by Clerk of Court)

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2241

Personal Information

1. (a) Your full name: Rami Fayad Ghanem
(b) Other names you have used: _____
2. Place of confinement:
(a) Name of institution: South Texas ICE processing Center
(b) Address: 566 Veterans DR
Pearson-TX 78061
(c) Your identification number: [Redacted]
3. Are you currently being held on orders by:
☐ Federal authorities ☐ State authorities ☒ Other - explain:
I held by the DHS office
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): Being held by the ICE office for deport me to my Country (Syria)

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): _____

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 removal decision processing - by the pearsall
Immigration Court*

(d) Date of the decision or action: *05/09-2025*

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:

*Because I had cancel my appeal case and I want
to be deport to my country.*

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: 10-19-2024

(b) Date of the removal or reinstatement order: 05-09-2025

(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: the ICE couldn't deport me,

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 Do not cite cases or law.):

More than 8 months have passed in the immigration
Judge issued the deportation order and to this day the
immigration authorities have not been able to deport me,

(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:

Request for Relief

15. State exactly what you want the court to do: *I want the court to release me from this custody until the ICE can deport me to my country and I have sponser in this country. Because I had been in this custody for long time with out any reasons,*

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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:

I send it by the mail system in this facility,

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.

Date: 01/18-2026



Signature of Petitioner

Signature of Attorney or other authorized person, if any

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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.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW
PEARSALL IMMIGRATION COURT

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Respondent Name:

FAYAD-GHANEM, RAMI

To:

FAYAD-GHANEM, RAMI
STIPC
566 VETERANS DR
PEARSALL, TX 78061

A-Number:



Riders:

In Removal Proceedings

Initiated by the Department of Homeland Security

Date:

05/09/2025

☐ Unable to forward - no address provided.

☐ Attached is a copy of the decision of the Immigration Judge. This decision is final unless an appeal is filed with the Board of Immigration Appeals within 30 calendar days of the date of the mailing of this written decision. See the enclosed forms and instructions for properly preparing your appeal. Your notice of appeal, attached documents, and fee or fee waiver request must be mailed to:

Board of Immigration Appeals
Office of the Clerk
P.O. Box 8530
Falls Church, VA 22041

☐ Attached is a copy of the decision of the immigration judge as the result of your Failure to Appear at your scheduled deportation or removal hearing. This decision is final unless a Motion to Reopen is filed in accordance with Section 242B(c)(3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1252B(c)(3) in deportation proceedings or section 240(b)(5)(c), 8 U.S.C. § 1229a(b)(5)(c) in removal proceedings. If you file a motion to reopen, your motion must be filed with this court:

Immigration Court

☐ Attached is a copy of the decision of the immigration judge relating to a Reasonable Fear Review. This is a final order. Pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 1208.31(g)(1), no administrative appeal is available. However, you may file a petition for review within 30 days with the appropriate Circuit Court of Appeals to appeal this decision pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1252, INA § 242.



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ORDER OF THE IMMIGRATION JUDGE

Based upon Respondent's admissions and concessions, the immigration court finds that Respondent is removable/inadmissible as charged in the Notice to Appear. Further, Respondent has made no application(s) for relief from removal under 8 C.F.R. § 1240.11.

Order: Respondent shall be removed to Syria or in the alternative to XXXXX on the charge(s) contained in the Notice to Appear.

Failure to Depart: If Respondent is subject to a final order of removal and willfully fails or refuses to depart from the United States pursuant to the order, to make timely application in good faith for travel or other documents necessary to depart the United States, to present himself or herself at the time and place required for removal by the DHS, or conspires to or takes any action designed to prevent or hamper Respondent's departure pursuant to the order of removal, Respondent shall be subject to a civil monetary penalty for each day Respondent is in violation, pursuant to INA § 274D(a) and 8 C.F.R. § 280.53(b)(14). If Respondent is removable pursuant to INA § 237(a), then he or she shall be further fined or imprisoned for up to 10 years. See INA § 243(a)(1).

Enforcement and Removal Operations

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
San Antonio Field Office
1777 NE Loop 410, Suite 1500
San Antonio, Texas 78217



**U.S. Immigration
and Customs
Enforcement**

FAYAD-Ghanem, Rami
South Texas ICE Processing Center
566 Veterans Drive
Pearsall, TX 78061



Decision to Continue Detention

This letter is to inform you that your custody status has been reviewed, and it has been determined that you will not be released from the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at this time. This decision has been made based on a review of your file, and upon review of the factors for consideration set forth at 8 C.F.R. § 241.4(e), (f), and (g).

As explained below, after such review, ICE has determined to maintain your custody because:

- Pose a significant risk of flight pending your removal from the United States.
- Pose a significant risk to public safety.
- Removal is imminent.

ICE has made such determination based upon that you are under a final order of removal. ICE expects to encounter no delay in effecting your removal. You will remain in ICE custody pending removal from the United States.

Based on the above, you are to remain in ICE custody pending your removal from the United States as ICE is unable to conclude that the factors set forth at 8 C.F.R. § 241.4(e) have been satisfied. You are advised that you must demonstrate that you are making reasonable efforts to comply with the order of removal and that you are cooperating with ICE's efforts to remove you by taking whatever actions ICE requests to affect your removal. You are also advised that any willful failure or refusal on your part to make timely application in good faith for travel or other documents necessary for your departure, or any conspiracy or actions to prevent your removal or obstruct the issuance of a travel document, may subject you to criminal prosecution under 8 U.S.C. § 1253(a).

If you have not been released or removed from the United States at the expiration of the three-month period after this 90-day review, jurisdiction of the custody decision in your case will be transferred to the ICE Headquarters (ERO Removal Division), Potomac Center North, 500 12th

www.ice.gov

Decision to Continue Detention

FAYAD-Ghanem, Rami; 

Street SW, Washington, DC 20536. The ERO Removal Division will thereafter conduct a custody review and will make a determination regarding whether you will continue to be detained pending removal or may be released.

To assist in the ERO Removal Division custody review, you will be afforded a personal interview. You and your representative who has filed a Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance, if any, will be notified of the date and time of the interview approximately 30 days prior to the scheduled interview date. This interview may be in person or through a video teleconference. If ERO needs to change the date of the interview, ERO will provide notice to you and your representative who has filed a Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance, if any.

You may be accompanied during the interview by a person of your choice, subject to security requirements at the detention facility, as long as this person is able to attend the interview at the scheduled time.

You may submit any additional documentation in English you wish to be considered in support of your release at the time of the interview or via mail service up to five business days prior to the scheduled time of your interview to the following address:

**South Texas ICE Processing Center (STIPC)
566 Veterans Drive
Pearsall, Texas 78061**

Such documentation should contain a cover letter indicating that the material is submitted in support of your Post Order Custody Review personal interview. An attorney or other person may submit materials on your behalf.

You are required to complete the below information.

I do _____ do not _____ want a personal interview.

If you do want an interview, please check the appropriate box(es) below:

- ☐ Check this box if you need an interpreter for your interview.
Language/Dialect: _____
- ☐ I will be assisted at this interview by a representative of my own choosing.

Name: _____

If your representative has not filed a G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance, on your behalf, you are responsible for notifying any other person you have selected to assist you of the date, time, and location of the interview. The representative must be at least 18 years of age.



Decision to Continue DetentionFAYAD-Ghanem, Rami; 

You will be sent a separate Notice to Alien of Interview for Review of Custody Status approximately 30 days before the interview is scheduled. If you wish to request additional time to prepare for the interview, you must notify your deportation officer within five business days of receipt of the Notice of Interview. If ERO agrees to postpone the interview at your request, you will be deemed to have waived its completion prior to jurisdiction over your case transferring to the ERO Removal Division.

You will be notified of the decision in your case when the custody review has been concluded by the ERO Removal Division.

DANIEL J SUBIADigitally signed by DANIEL J SUBIA
Date: 2025.08.04 08:39:34 -05'00'

(A) Deputy Field Office Director, Daniel Subia

Date

PROOF OF SERVICE

(Officer to complete both (a) and (b) below.)

(a) I Efren Beltran, Deportation Officer,
Name of ICE Officer Title
certify that I served FAYAD-Ghanem, Rami with a copy of
Name of detainee
this document at STIPC on 8/4/25 at 1324 hrs
Institution Date Time
(b) I certify that I served the custodian Efren Beltran,
Name of Official
Deportation Officer at STIPC, on
Title Institution
8/4/25 with a copy of this document.
Date

Detainee Signature: Refused to sign Date: 8/4/25

() cc: Attorney of Record or Designated Representative

(x) cc: A-File