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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO**

Civil Action No. _____
(To be supplied by the court)

TAM ANH ONG, Applicant,

v.
TODD M. LYONS, ACTING DIRECTOR ICE
MADISON SHEAHAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR ICE
JUAN BALTAZAR, WARDEN AURORA PROCESSING CENTER, Respondent.
(Name of warden, superintendent, jailer, or other custodian)

(Note: If you are attacking the validity of a state conviction or sentence and not the execution of your sentence, you must file an application for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. If you are attacking the validity of a judgment entered in a federal court, you must file a motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 in the federal court that entered the judgment.)

**APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS
PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2241**

NOTICE

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2 addresses the privacy and security concerns resulting from public access to electronic court files. Under this rule, papers filed with the court should not contain: an individual's full social security number or full birth date; the full name of a person known to be a minor; or a complete financial account number. A filing may include only: the last four digits of a social security number; the year of an individual's birth; a minor's initials; and the last four digits of a financial account number.

A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

You must notify the court of any changes to your address where case-related papers may be served by filing a notice of change of address. Failure to keep a current address on file with the court may result in dismissal of your case.

TAM ANH ONG, [REDACTED]; 3130 N. OAKLAND ST., [REDACTED]
(Applicant's name, prisoner identification number, and complete mailing address)
AURORA, CO 80010. (AURORA ICE PROCESSING CENTER)

Indicate whether you are a prisoner or other confined person as follows: (check one)

- Pretrial detainee
 Civilly committed detainee
 Immigration detainee
 Convicted and sentenced state prisoner
 Convicted and sentenced federal prisoner
 Other: (Please explain) _____

B. RESPONDENT INFORMATION

TODD M. IVONS/MADISON SHEAHAN: U.S. ICE, 12445 E. CALEY AVE., CENTENNIAL,
(Respondent's name and complete mailing address)

CO 80111. JUAN BALTAZAR: 3130 N. OAKLAND ST., AURORA CO 80010

C. STATEMENT OF CLAIMS

State clearly and concisely every claim you are asserting in this action. For each claim, specify the right that allegedly has been violated and all facts that support your claim. If additional space is needed to describe any claim or to assert additional claims, use extra paper to continue that claim or to assert the additional claim(s). Please indicate that additional paper is attached and label the additional pages regarding the statement of claims as "C. STATEMENT OF CLAIMS."

CLAIM ONE: I have been detained by ICE for a prolonged period.

Supporting facts:

- An Immigration Judge ordered me being removed from the USA on or about 07/05/2000; to my country VIETNAM.
 - Because the final order of removal ICE took me under detention and custody on 11/14/2003. A copy of Notice of Action is attached.
 - Since the final order of removal was issued; ICE released me and I have been under supervision from 07/05/2000 to 11/14/2003.
- *Additional papers (pages 1-7) are attached.

D. PRIOR APPLICATIONS

Have you ever filed a lawsuit, other than this lawsuit, in any federal court in which you raised or could have raised the claim(s) raised in this action? ___ Yes No (check one).

If your answer is "Yes," complete this section of the form. If you have filed more than one prior application, use additional paper to provide the requested information for each prior application. Please indicate that additional paper is attached and label the additional pages regarding previous lawsuits as "D. PRIOR APPLICATIONS."

Name and location of court: _____

Case number: _____

Type of proceeding: _____

List the claim(s) raised: _____

Date and result: (Attach a copy of the decision if available) _____

Result on appeal, if appealed: _____

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES

WARNING: You must exhaust administrative and/or state remedies before filing an action in federal court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241. Your case may be dismissed if you have not exhausted administrative and/or state remedies. If additional space is needed to explain exhaustion, use extra paper to do so. Please indicate that additional paper is attached and label the additional pages regarding exhaustion as "E. ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES."

Explain the steps you have taken to exhaust administrative and/or state remedies:

At the date I didn't get any letter or notice from ICE regarding my removal. This petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus is my first legal action.

F. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

State the relief you are requesting or what you want the court to do. If additional space is needed to identify the relief you are requesting, use extra paper to request relief. Please indicate that additional paper is attached and label the additional pages regarding relief as "F. REQUEST FOR RELIEF."

- I respectfully request to this court order Respondents to show cause why I should not be granted, and set a hearing on this Petition, and GRANT the writ of Habeas Corpus ordering to the Respondents my immediate release from custody and Keep me under supervision.
- Order to Respondents not to transfer me outside the Jurisdiction of this Court pending consideration of this petition.

G. APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the applicant in this action, that I have read this application, and that the information in this application is true and correct. See 28 U.S.C. § 1746; 18 U.S.C. § 1621.

Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11, by signing below, I also certify to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief that this application: (1) is not being presented for an improper purpose, such as to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation; (2) is supported by existing law or by a nonfrivolous argument for extending or modifying existing law; (3) the factual contentions have evidentiary support or, if specifically so identified, will likely have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for further investigation or discovery; and (4) the application otherwise complies with the requirements of Rule 11.



(Applicant's signature)

02/02/26

(Date)

(Form Revised December 2017)

C. STATEMENT OF CLAIM

1. **My continued detention is unlawful, and I am unlikely to be removed in the reasonably foreseeable future. Therefore, My detention violates the statute and I am entitled to immediate release.** As the Supreme Court held in *Zadvydas v. Davis*, 533 U.S. 678 (2001), noncitizens cannot be detained indefinitely if the government is unable to carry out their removal. Instead, detention after a final order of removal is authorized only when removal is reasonably foreseeable. As a guide to courts, the Court in *Zadvydas* established a presumption that detention after a final order of removal was permissible for six months. Detention after a final order may be unlawful even when six months have not passed, particularly if it is clear that the United States will not be able to effect a noncitizens's removal. But after that six months period, once a noncitizen provides "good reason to believe that there is not significant likelihood of removal in the reasonably foreseeable future, the Government must respond with evidence sufficient to rebut that showing." And the longer a noncitizen has been detained, the stronger the government's showing must be. Petitioner is entitled to release under the framework of *Zadvydas* unless the government promptly demonstrate that there is a significant likelihood of removal in the reasonably foreseeable future.
2. My prolonged detention also violates the Due Process Clause. The Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment forbids the government from depriving any "person" of liberty "without due process of law." U.S. Const. Amend. V. "Freedom from imprisonment—from government custody, detention or other form of physical restraint—lies at the heart of the liberty" that the Due Process Clause protects. *Zadvydas*, 533 U.S. at 690 (citing *Foucha v. Louisiana*, 504 U.S. 71, 80 (1992)). Civil immigration detention violates due process if it is not reasonably related to

its statutory purpose. *See, id.* (citing *Jackson v. Indiana*, 406 U.S. 715, 738 (1972)). In the immigration context, the Supreme Court has recognized only two valid purposes for civil detention: to mitigate the risk of flight and prevent danger to the community. *Id.* Petitioner’s prolonged civil detention, which has lasted well beyond the end of the removal period, and which is likely to continue indefinitely, is no longer reasonably related to the primary statutory purpose of ensuring imminent removal. Thus, Petitioner’s detention violates Petitioner’s right to due process.

ARGUMENTS

3. This action arises under the Constitution of the United States and the Immigration and Nationality Act (“INA”) §§ 101-507, 8 U.S.C. § 1101-1537, amended by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-208, 110 Stat. 3009-1570.
4. This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, The Suspension Clause, U.S. Const. Art. 1 § 9, cl 2, and 28 U.S.C. § 1331, as Petitioner is presently in custody under color of the authority of the United States, and Petitioner’s custody is in violation of the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the United States. *See Zadvydas*, 566 U.S. 678. This Court may grant relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 (Habeas Corpus), 5 U.S.C. § 702 (establishing the right of review for a person suffering a legal wrong due to agency action), and 28 U.S.C. § 1651 (All Writs Act).
5. The Due Process Clause applies to all persons in the United States, “whether their presence here is lawful, unlawful, temporary or permanent.” *Zadvydas*, 533 U.S. at 693. In *Zadvydas*, the Supreme Court emphasized, “[f]reedom from imprisonment—from government custody, detention, or other forms of physical lies at the heart of the liberty that [the Due Process] Clause protects.” 533 U.S. at 690 (citing *Foucha v. Louisiana*, 504 U.S. 71, 80 (1992)). The Court noted, “[a] statute permitting indefinite detention of an alien would raise a serious constitutional

problem,” *Id.*; see also *Plyer v. Doe*, 457 U.S. 202, 210 (1982) (“Aliens, even aliens whose presence in this country is unlawful, have long been recognized as “persons” guaranteed due process of law by the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments”).

6. Under 8 U.S.C. § 1231(a)(2), noncitizens subject to final orders of removal “shall” be detained during the first 90 days—the “removal period”—and they “shall” be removed during that period under § 1231(a)(1). Under 8 U.S.C. § 1231(a)(6), the government “may” continue detention beyond the 90-days removal period if a noncitizen falls within certain broad categories of removability or is determined “to be a risk to the community or unlikely to comply with the order of removal.” 8 U.S.C. § 1231(a)(6).
7. In *Zadvydas*, the Supreme Court construed 8 U.S.C. § 1231(a)(6) to authorize detention only where it is significantly likely that removal will occur in the reasonably foreseeable future, in order to avoid the serious due process concerns that would be presented by permitting detention for an indefinite period of time. *Zadvydas*, 533 U.S. at CITE. After a noncitizen meets his or her initial burden to show that no such likelihood of removal exists, the burden shifts to the government to “respond with evidence sufficient to rebut [the alien] showing,” *Id.* At 701.
8. Courts have rejected conclusory claims by ICE agents which claim, without submitting concrete factual information about scheduled flights or repatriation agreements, that removal is imminent. “[A] theoretical possibility of eventually being removed does not satisfy the government’s burden once the removal period has expired and the petitioner establishes good reason to believe his removal is not significantly likely in the reasonably foreseeable future.” *Balza v. Barr*, No. 6:20-CV-00866, 2020 WL 6143643, at *5 (W.D. La. Sept. 17, 2020) (internal quotation and citation omitted). “[I]f [ICE] has no idea of when it might reasonably expect [Petitioner] to be repatriated, [a] Court certainly cannot conclude that [a] removal is likely to occur—or even that it might occur—in the reasonably foreseeable future.” *Id.* at *5 (internal quotation marks and

citation omitted). *See also, Gomez Barco v. Witte*, No. 6:20-CV-00497, 2020 WL 7393786 (W.D. La. Dec. 16, 2020) (ordering release of a petitioner who was detained longer than six months because ICE had not be able to secure necessary travel document, nothing that the ICE officer “clearly has no factual basis for his ‘belief’ that there is not foreseeable impediment of Petitioner’s removal or that her removal is imminent,” and that there was not foundation for the “expectation” that the COVID-19 related travel restrictions in place would soon be lifted); *Balza v. Barr*, No. 6:20-CV-00866, 2020 WL 6064881 (W.D. La. Oct. 14, 2020) (same).¹ In granting Ms. Balza’s release, the Court considered and rejected a conclusory declaration by a local ICE Assistant Field Officer that removal was imminent. *Id.* at *5. In *Alexis v. Smith*, the Petitioner, Mr. Alexis, had been in detention for almost a year and subject to a removal order for over a year. An ICE official testified to an informal agreement that permitted removals but acknowledged that there were far fewer removals to Haiti in the aftermath of the 2010 hurricane. The Haitian government had an issue with identity documents and it was unknown when that would be resolved. The magistrate did not credit ICE’s vague statements that it was “endeavoring to rectify the issue” and conclude there was no end in sight for detention, and recommended release. The District Court Judge agreed and ordered release. ICE then released Mr. Alexis on an Order of Supervised release and moved to get the judgment vacated on mootness, which it was. However, this does not invalidate the reasoning and conclusions of the Magistrate Judge and District Court Judge on this subject, and this case is still informative and persuasive to the body of law on this subject. *Alexis v. Smith*, No. CIV.A. 11-0309, 2011 WL

¹ Other districts courts in the Fifth Circuit and Elsewhere have similarly granted Habeas relief when the noncitizen has shown that there is no significant likelihood of removal in the reasonably foreseeable future. *See, e.g., Carreno v. Gillis*, No. 5:20-cv-44-KS-MTP, 2020 WL 8366735 (S.D. Miss. Dec. 16, 2020) (granting Habeas relief to petitioner detained for approximately sixteen months due to a lack of diplomatic relations with Venezuela); *Ali v. Dep’t of Homeland Sec.*, 451 F. Supp. 3D 703 (S.D. Tex. 2020) (granting Habeas relief to petitioner initially detained for three years, released and detained again for four months when petitioner could not be removed due to travel restrictions to Pakistan); *Saharifi v. Gillis*, No. 5:20-cv-5-DCB-MTP, 2020 WL 7379211 (S.D. Miss. Oct. 9, 2020) (granting Habeas relief to petitioner detained for seventeen months after Iranian officials failed to respond a travel document request for more than seven months).

3924247 (W.D. La. Aug. 3, 2011) report and recommendations adopted. No. CIV.A 11-0309, 2011 WL 3954945 (W.D. La. Sept. 6, 2011), vacated, No. CV 11-0309, 2011 WL 13386020 (W.D. La. Sept. 15, 2011).

9. Courts in this Districts have—pursuant to *Zadvydas*—released individuals who have been detained for over six months. *See, e.g. Gomez Barco*, 2020 WL 7393786 (ordering release of an immigrant detained who was a native and citizen of Venezuela who was detained longer than six month because ICE had not been able to secure necessary travel documents); *Balza*, 2020 WL 6143643, at *5 (ordering release of petitioner and nothing that “[a]fter more than a year of detention, Petitioner’s removal need not necessarily be imminent, but it cannot be speculative”) (internal quotation marks omitted).
10. Under *Zadvydas*, courts have found that there is no significant likelihood of removal and granted relief where:
 - No country will accept the petitioner. *See, e.g. Jabir v. Ashcroft*, No. 03-2480, 2004 WL 60318 (E.D. La. Jan. 8, 2004) (granting habeas relief to petitioner detained for more than fourteen months after numerous countries refused to repatriate the petitioner).²
 - The Petitioner’s country of origin refuses to issue a travel document, *See, e.g., Alexis v. Smith*, No. 11-0309, 2011 WL 3924247 (W.D. La. Aug. 3, 2011) (granting habeas release to petitioner detained for approximately one year due to the Haitian government rejecting the quality of identity documents provided); *Fermine v. Dir. Of Immigr. Custom Enf’t*, No. 2:06-cv-1578, 2007 WL 2284606 (W.D. La. May 23, 2007) (granting habeas relief to petitioner detained for fifteen months due to Trinidad’s refusal to issue travel documents); *Lijadu v.*

² *See also Hassoun v. Sessions*, No. 18-CV-586-FPG, 2019 WL 78984, at *4 (W.D.N.Y. Jan. 2, 2019) (ordering release of petitioner detained fourteen months after petitioner showed “that the countries with he has any affiliation will not accept him”), *Yusupov v. Love*, No. 4:CV-06-1804, 2007 WL 5063231 (M.D. Pa. Jan. 12, 2007); *Abel-Muhti v. Ashcroft*, 314 F. Supp. 2d 418 (M.D. Pa. 2004) (ordering release of petitioner detained approximately two years after refusal of several countries to accept petitioner).

Gonzales, No. 06-1208, 2006 WL 3933850 (W.D. La. Dec. 18, 2006) (granting habeas relief to petitioner detained nineteen months because Nigeria refused to issue travel documents due to petitioner's HIV status).³

- There is not removal agreement between the United States and a country. In this scenarios, courts have found that the lack of a normal agreement regarding repatriation, lack of diplomatic relationship, and lack of a functioning government support a finding that there is no significant likelihood of removal. *See, e.g. Negusse v. Gonzales*, No. 06-1382, 2007 WL 708615 (W.D. La. Mar. 1, 2007) (granting habeas relief to petitioner detained for approximately one year because the United States did not have a repatriation agreement with Ethiopia and Ethiopia would not issue travel documents because one of the petitioner's parents was not Ethiopian).⁴
- There is either no response from a country designated for removal or a significant delay in receiving a response. *See. e. g., Gonzales-Rondon v. Gillis*, 5:19-cv-109-DCB-MTP, 2020 WL 3428983 (S.D. Miss. June 23, 2020) (granting habeas relief to petitioner detained thirteen months where there was no response from Venezuelan officials).⁵

³ *See also Ka v. Bureau of Immigr. & Custom Enf't*, No. B-07-197, 2008 WL 11462867, at *8 (S.D. Tex. June 24, 2008) (ordering release of petitioner detained twelve months after Senegal "refuses to issue Ka a travel document because he d[id] not have proper identity documentation"); *Moreira v. Gonzales*, No. CIVA CV05-588 A, 2006 WL 3861972 (W.D. La. Nov. 2, 2006) (granting habeas relief to petitioner detained for three years because Cape Verde advised that it would not accept the petitioner for repatriation); *Khan v. Gonzales*, 481 F. Supp. 2d 638 (W.D. Tex. 2006).

⁴ *See also Gomez Barco*, 2020 WL 7393786, *Islam v. Kane*, No. CV-11-515-PHX-PGR (LOA), 2011 WL 4374226, at *3 (D. Ariz. Aug. 30, 2011) (ordering release of petitioner detained ten months where petitioner presented evidence that Bangladesh "is one of fifteen countries identified by ICE as least likely to issue travel documents"); *Carreno*, 2020 WL 8366735, *Simoza Rangel v. Gillis*, No. 5:19-cv-118-DCB-MTP, 2020 WL 7223258 (S.D. Miss. Sept. 2, 2020) (granting habeas relief to petitioner detained for sixteen months due to lack of diplomatic relation with Venezuela); *Abduelle v. Gonzales*, 422 F. Supp. 2d 774 (W.D. Tex. 2006) (concluding that the petitioner met the burden to show removal was not reasonably foreseeable after being detained for more than one year when an injunction restricted the government's ability to remove the petitioner to Somalia).

⁵ *See also Sharif*, 2020 WL 7379211; *Aung v. Barr*, No. 20-CV-681-LJV, 2020 WL4581465 (W.D.N.Y. Aug. 10, 2020); *Edwards v. Barr*, No. 4:20cv350-WS-MAF, 2020 WL 6747737 (N.D. Fla. Oct. 14, 2020); *Rual v. Barr*, No. 6:20-CV-06215 EAW, 2020 WL 3972319 (W.D.N.Y. July 14, 2020); *Rodriguez Del Rio v. Price*, No. EP-20-CV-00217-FM, 2020 WL 7680560 (W.D. Tex. Nov. 3, 2020); *Singh v. Whitaker*, 362 F. Supp. 3d 93 (W.D.N.Y. 2019); *Butt v. Holder*, No. CA 08-0672-CG-C, 2009 WL 1035354 (S.D. Ala. Mar. 19, 2009) (holding that petitioner met his initial burden where he was held in ICE custody for more than ten months after the issuance of his removal order with no indication from the Pakistan Embassy that travel documents would be issued); *Lawrikov v. Kollus*, No. CV-08-1403-PHX-GMS (LOA), 2009 WL 2905549 (D. Ariz. July 27, 2009); *Reid v. Crawford*, No. 06-02436 PHX-JWS (MEA), 2007 WL 1063413 (D.

- ICE fails to take action to secure travel documents for a prolonged period. *See, e.g. Senor*, 401 F. Supp. 3d at 430-31 (granting habeas relief after ICE initially requested travel documents but where “there [wa]s no identification from the record that anyone ha[d] taken any further action in the eight months since that time. . .to facilitate Senor’s receipt of the necessary travel documents”).⁶

11. As the length of detention grows, the period of time that would be considered the “reasonably foreseeable future” shrinks. *See e.g., Zadvydas*, 533 U.S. at 701 (stating that as the length of time in detention grows “what counts as the ‘reasonably foreseeable future’ conversely would be to shrink”); *Senor*, 401 F. Supp. 3d at 430 (“‘[T]he passage of time combined with ‘the’ government [being] no closer to . . . repatriating [a detainee] than they were once they first took him into custody’ [is] sufficient to meet that ‘initial burden.’”); *Lawrikow*, 2009 WL 2905549, at *12.

Ariz. Jan. 31, 2007); *Gui v. Ridge*, No. 3CV031965, 2004 WL 1920719 (M.D. Pa. Aug. 13, 2004); *Shefqet v. Ashcroft*, No. 02C 7737, 2003 WL 1964290 (N.D. Ill. Apr. 28, 2003).

⁶ *See also Chun Yat Ma v. Asher*, No. C11-1797 MJP, 2012 WL 1432229, at *4 (W.D. Wash. Apr. 25, 2012) (ordering petitioner’s release where the government failed “to provide any documentation of efforts. . . to effectuate removal . . . [for] nearly six months”).

C. STATEMENT OF CLAIM (ATTACHMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
IMMIGRATION DETAINER - NOTICE OF ACTION

Subject ID: 389462582
Event #: [REDACTED]

File No: [REDACTED]
Date: November 14, 2023

TO: (Name and Title of Institution - OR Any Subsequent Law Enforcement Agency) F.C.I. MENDOTA
33500 W CALIFORNIA AVE
MENDOTA, CA 936400000

FROM: (Department of Homeland Security Office Address)
ERO - Fresno, CA Sub Office
ICE
ERO FRESNO SUB OFFICE
2440 TULARE STREET SUITE 220
FRESNO, CA 937212904

Name of Alien: [REDACTED] AKA: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Citizenship: VIETNAM Sex: M

1. DHS HAS DETERMINED THAT PROBABLE CAUSE EXISTS THAT THE SUBJECT IS A REMOVABLE ALIEN. THIS DETERMINATION IS BASED ON (complete box 1 or 2). BOP #: [REDACTED]

- A final order of removal against the alien;
- The pendency of ongoing removal proceedings against the alien;
- Biometric confirmation of the alien's identity and a records check of federal databases that affirmatively indicate, by themselves or in addition to other reliable information, that the alien either lacks immigration status or notwithstanding such status is removable under U.S. immigration law; and/or
- Statements made by the alien to an immigration officer and/or other reliable evidence that affirmatively indicate the alien either lacks immigration status or notwithstanding such status is removable under U.S. immigration law.

2. DHS TRANSFERRED THE ALIEN TO YOUR CUSTODY FOR A PROCEEDING OR INVESTIGATION (complete box 1 or 2).

- Upon completion of the proceeding or investigation for which the alien was transferred to your custody, DHS intends to resume custody of the alien to complete processing and/or make an admissibility determination.

IT IS THEREFORE REQUESTED THAT YOU:

- Notify DHS as early as practicable (at least 48 hours, if possible) before the alien is released from your custody. Please notify DHS by calling U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) or U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) at [REDACTED]. If you cannot reach an official at the number(s) provided, please contact the Law Enforcement Support Center at: (802) 872-6020.
 - Maintain custody of the alien for a period **NOT TO EXCEED 48 HOURS** beyond the time when he/she would otherwise have been released from your custody to allow DHS to assume custody. The alien must be served with a copy of this form for the detainer to take effect. This detainer arises from DHS authorities and should not impact decisions about the alien's bail, rehabilitation, parole, release, diversion, custody classification, work, quarter assignments, or other matters
 - Relay this detainer to any other law enforcement agency to which you transfer custody of the alien.
 - Notify this office in the event of the alien's death, hospitalization or transfer to another institution.
- If checked: please cancel the detainer related to this alien previously submitted to you on _____ (date).

S D10239 MORA - Deportation Officer

(Name and title of Immigration Officer)

[Signature] (Signature of Immigration Officer) (Sign in ink)

Notice: If the alien may be the victim of a crime or you want the alien to remain in the United States for a law enforcement purpose, notify the ICE Law Enforcement Support Center at (802) 872-6020. You may also call this number if you have any other questions or concerns about this matter.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY CURRENTLY HOLDING THE ALIEN WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS NOTICE:

Please provide the information below, sign, and return to DHS by mailing, emailing or faxing a copy to _____.

Local Booking/Inmate #: _____ Estimated release date/time: _____

Date of latest criminal charge/conviction: _____ Last offense charged/conviction: _____

This form was served upon the alien on _____, in the following manner:

- in person
- by inmate mail delivery
- other (please specify): _____

(Name and title of Officer)

(Signature of Officer) (Sign in ink)

Jan 26,2026

Honorable Immigration Judge,

I am writing this letter in support of Tam Anh Ong A-Number: [REDACTED], whom I have known for 30 years in my capacity as Step Mother .

I respectfully request that the Court consider granting his release from detention. During the time I have known Tam, I have found him to be a person of good moral character, responsibility, and integrity. He has consistently demonstrated respect for others.

Tam has strong ties to the community, including family relationships, employment . If released, he will have stable housing at [REDACTED] and will be supported by Myself and my Husband. I am confident that Tam will comply with all court requirements and attend all scheduled hearings.

I do not believe that Tam poses any danger to the community nor is a flight risk. To the contrary, his conduct and character reflect a commitment to stability, responsibility, and cooperation with legal authorities.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. I respectfully ask that you grant Tam release while his immigration matter is pending.

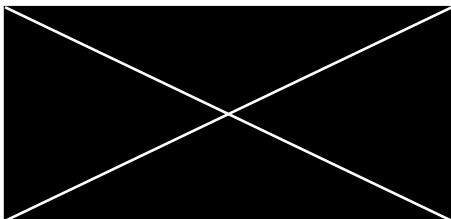
Sincerely,

Rosemary Annos

[REDACTED]

Rosemary Annos

Viengdavanh Cordero



Date: January 28th, 2026

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Viengdavanh Cordero, and I am writing this letter in support of Tam Ong. I have known Tam Ong for 6 years, and I am his girlfriend and partner in life. During this time, I have had the opportunity to see his character, values, and how he treats others.

In my experience, Tam Ong is a hardworking, respectful, and kind person who works to support himself, stays close with his family, and is dedicated to helping others. One thing that stands out about him is how he helps me, checks on his family, especially his elder mom, and his kindness. For example, when Tam and I first started dating, he came over to my house to meet my ill mother. My mom was nonverbal and nonphysical due to three strokes and was in her last stage of stomach cancer, and had to use the restroom. I was preoccupied with my then-toddler, Tam, who helped my mom to the restroom by putting her in the wheelchair and assisted her in the bathroom all by himself.

I am aware that Tam Ong has faced serious legal and immigration issues. While I understand the seriousness of the situation, I also believe that he is more than his worst mistakes. I have seen him show accountability, and I believe he genuinely wants to grow, change, and live a better life moving forward. He has expressed working honestly, supporting family, staying out of trouble, and staying focused on doing the right thing.

Tam Ong has people who care about him and who would support him in continuing to improve his life. If given the opportunity, I believe he will be a positive presence for his family and the community.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have any questions, I am willing to speak further.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'V. Cordero'.

Viengdavanh Cordero

TAM ANH ONG
(Name of alien or aliens)

[REDACTED]
("Alien number" of alien or aliens)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On 02/03/26, I, TAM A. ONG,
(date) (printed name of person signing below)

served a copy of this APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS,
(name of document)

and any attached pages to JUAN BALTAZAR, WARDEN OF AURORA PROCESSING CENTER
(name of party served)

at the following address: 3130 N. OAKLAND ST., AURORA, CO 80010
(address of party served)

by FIRST CLASS MAIL
(method of service, for example overnight courier, hand-delivery, first class mail)

[Signature]
(signature)

02/04/26
(date)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

TAM ANH ONG
(Name of Respondent)

[REDACTED]
("A number" of Respondent)

On 02/03/26, I, TAM A. ONG
(Print Name)

served a true and correct copy of this:

APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

and any attached pages to: X

US DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT
OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL
12445 E. CALBY AVENUE
CENTENNIAL, CO 80111-6432

US DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT
OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL (IN COURT)
3150 NORTH OAKLAND STREET
AURORA, CO 80010

By: FIRST CLASS MAIL

[Signature]
(Signature)

02/03/26
(Date)