

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

Case No. 1:26-cv-00556-SKC-KAS

LUIS DANIEL YANEZ CHAVEZ,

Petitioner,

v.

JUAN BALTAZAR, Warden of the Denver Contract Detention Facility, Aurora, Colorado, in his official capacity,
GEORGE VALDEZ, Field Office Director, Denver Field Office, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, in his official capacity,¹
KRISTI NOEM, Secretary, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, in her official capacity,
TODD LYONS, Acting Director of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, in his official capacity, and
PAMELA BONDI, Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, in her official capacity,

Respondents.

STATUS REPORT BY RESPONDENTS

The Court granted Petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus. *See* ECF No. 17. The Court ordered that Respondents transport Petitioner back to his place of residence outside of Colorado at their own expense within 36 hours of the date and time of the order. *Id.* at 7. (The Court issued the order on February 25, 2026, at about 10:50 am.) The Court also ordered that "Respondents shall confirm in

¹ George Valdez, Acting Field Office Director for ICE's Denver Field Office, is substituted for Robert Hagan pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 25(d).

writing Petitioner's release from custody and, if necessary, his return home." *Id.* at 7.

Respondents confirm that Petitioner was released from custody and returned to his out-of-state home on February 26, 2026, at approximately 6 pm local time in compliance with the Court's order.

Dated: March 2, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 2, 2026, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to the all persons who have registered for such notifications.

I also certify that on the same date I am causing the foregoing to be delivered to the following non-CM/ECF participants in the manner (mail, email, hand delivery, etc.) indicated by the nonparticipant's name:

none.

s/ *Timothy Bart Jafek*

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