

****IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA****

Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal, Petitioner,

v.


Warden of Diamondback Correctional Facility, Respondent.

Case No.: _____ A Number: 

CIN-26-259-D

PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS (28 U.S.C. § 2241)

1. PETITIONER INFORMATION

Full Name: Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal A Number:  Place of Detention:
Diamondback Correctional Facility Detention Facility Address: DIAMONDBACK
CORR FACILITY ROUTE 2, BOX 336 WATONGA, OK 73772

Date Detention Began: October 20, 2025 City and State of Detention: Texas Family
Relationship: Husband of Banesa Valdivia and father of a minor daughter Current
Family Situation: His wife is 25 weeks pregnant and fully dependent on him for
emotional and financial stability.

2. GENERAL BASIS FOR PRESENTATION

This information is presented because Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal has been
detained since October 20, 2025, and his family seeks a review of his detention.
The information included describes his identity, the place where he is detained,
the circumstances of his detention, the difficulties he has faced in communicating
with his family and attorney, and the impact this situation has had on his pregnant
wife and minor daughter.

The following sections provide a clear and organized description of the relevant
facts, including canceled hearings, transfers between facilities, detention
conditions, and the family, economic, and medical circumstances affecting his
wife and daughter.

3. GENERAL PURPOSE OF THIS PRESENTATION

This information is provided with the purpose of requesting a review of the detention of Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal, considering the length of time he has been held, the repeated cancellation of hearings, the transfers between facilities, the communication barriers with his family and attorney, and the significant impact this situation has had on his pregnant wife and minor daughter.

4. FACTS AND GENERAL BACKGROUND

Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal was detained on October 20, 2025, during his routine ICE appointment. Since that day, he has remained in custody despite always maintaining good conduct, attending all his appointments, and working and paying taxes since receiving his work permit. His detention has severely impacted his family, as he was the sole financial provider.

Carlos worked at [REDACTED] from June 16, 2025, until the day of his detention, earning approximately \$1,500 per week. With that income, he paid the rent for the apartment where he lived with his wife and daughter. After his detention, the family lost all income and was later evicted. His wife, Banesa Valdivia, also lost her job, which she believes may have been due to her pregnancy or the need to attend medical appointments. This left the family completely unprotected.

Banesa is 25 weeks pregnant and has had to go to the emergency room twice since Carlos's detention. The first time was the same day he was detained, when she experienced persistent vomiting, headache, weakness, and general discomfort, remaining in the hospital for several hours. The emotional stress, financial instability, and separation have affected her health during pregnancy.

During the first days of detention, Carlos faced difficult conditions. On October 19, one day before being detained, he had a tooth extraction, which caused pain and prevented him from eating hard foods. Despite this, at the facility where he was held from October 20 to 22, he did not receive medical attention. He was only

given three sandwiches and a small bag of chips per day—food he could not eat due to the extraction. He also slept on the floor without a mattress or blankets. He was unable to contact his wife until the night of October 23.

He was later transferred to Anson, Texas. At first, he received a reasonable amount of food, but over time the portions decreased significantly. On January 10, late at night, he was told to turn in his belongings for transfer, and by January 12 he was in Oklahoma at Diamondback Correctional Facility. Since arriving there, he has not been allowed to communicate with his attorney, family visits are not permitted, and he can only make paid phone calls. His wife cannot call him directly, making legal and family communication extremely difficult.

Regarding his hearings, the first one scheduled for November 14 was canceled. The December 11 hearing took place, but the judge stated he did not qualify for adjustment of status due to his manner of entry. Bond hearings scheduled for January 26 and January 28 were both canceled. On February 6, he had another hearing where the judge acknowledged he had strong points but said he could not grant bond due to his manner of entry. That same day, Carlos requested voluntary departure, but no date has been assigned, and he has no future hearings scheduled.

Carlos has maintained good conduct in every facility where he has been held. Before detention, he never missed an ICE appointment, paid his taxes since receiving his work permit, and maintained stable employment. His prolonged detention has caused severe financial instability, loss of housing, difficulty meeting basic needs, and emotional and physical strain on his pregnant wife and minor daughter.

5. GENERAL PRESENTATION OF THE REQUEST

The information above is presented to request a review of the detention of Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal, considering the length of time he has been held, the repeated cancellation of hearings, the transfers between facilities, the communication barriers with his family and attorney, and the significant impact this situation has had on his pregnant wife and minor daughter.

6. FINAL DECLARATION

The information provided above is true to the best of the knowledge and direct experience of the family of Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal. Everything described reflects the circumstances surrounding his detention, the conditions he has faced, the difficulties in communicating with his family and attorney, and the significant impact this situation has had on his pregnant wife and minor daughter.

7. SIGNATURE INFORMATION

I, Banesa Valdivia, declare that the information presented is true to the best of my knowledge and direct experience as the wife of Carlos Daniel Quintero Leal.

Name: Banesa Valdivia Address: [REDACTED] City, State, ZIP Code:

Date: 02/06/2026 Signature: [REDACTED]