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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

FRANCISCO ROLANDO ESCOTO VARELA,
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Petitioner,

v.

**WARDEN, BAKER CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION;
Pam Bondi, Attorney General of the United States;
Alejandro Mayorkas, Secretary of Homeland Security;**
Respondents.

Case No.:

PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

(28 U.S.C. § 2241)

I. INTRODUCTION

II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

This Court has jurisdiction under:

- 28 U.S.C. § 2241
- 28 U.S.C. § 1331
- 28 U.S.C. § 1361

Venue is proper in the **Middle District of Florida** because Petitioner is confined at **Baker Correctional Institution, Florida**.

IV. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

1. Petitioner is a **Honduran national** who cannot safely return to his country.
2. He entered the United States on September 11, 2021, without inspection.
3. He has a **pending asylum application**.
4. He has **no criminal record**.
5. On November 24, 2025, ICE detained him on the street without legal justification.
6. He has **never committed any crime** in the United States.
7. He has **family members in the United States** who support him.
8. He has a **stable place to live** if released.
9. He has a **history of employment** and is a hardworking individual.
10. He is an **active member of his church**, and his pastor has provided a support letter.
11. He also has **letters of support from friends and family**.
12. Petitioner previously retained an attorney, but the attorney withdrew representation due to Petitioner's inability to pay.
13. Petitioner has not been provided a meaningful opportunity to challenge his detention.

V. LEGAL FRAMEWORK

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15. Petitioner is detained under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a).

Under the **Fifth Amendment**, civil detention must be reasonable and accompanied by procedural safeguards. Detention without individualized review of flight risk or danger violates due process.

VI. GROUNDS FOR RELIEF

GROUND ONE

Unlawful detention without individualized custody determination.

ICE has detained Petitioner without conducting any meaningful individualized review.

GROUND TWO

Violation of Fifth Amendment Due Process.

Petitioner remains detained without a bond hearing or procedural protections

GROUND THREE

Arbitrary detention of a non-criminal individual.

Petitioner was arrested without warrant, without probable cause, and without any criminal conduct.

GROUND FOUR

Failure to provide bond hearing.

Petitioner has not been given a meaningful opportunity to request release before an Immigration Judge.

VII. IRREPARABLE HARM

Petitioner suffers:

- Loss of liberty
 - Separation from family
 - Emotional and financial hardship
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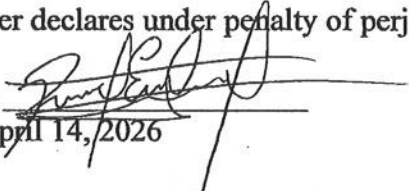
VIII. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

Petitioner respectfully requests that this Court:

1. Issue a writ of habeas corpus;
 2. Order his immediate release; OR
 3. Alternatively, order a prompt individualized bond hearing;
 4. Grant any other relief deemed just and proper.
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IX. DECLARATION

Petitioner declares under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed: 

Date: April 14, 2026