

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
(Baltimore Division)**

MAURICIO ALEXANDER
ORELLANA QUINTANILLA,

Petitioner,

v.

KRISTI NOEM, *et al.*,

Respondents.

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Case No. 1:25-cv-02513-LKG

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**RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR
WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS AND MOTION TO DISMISS**

Respondents, United States Department of Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem, Acting Director of United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) Todd Lyons, Field Office Director for the ICE Baltimore Field Office Nikita Baker, and United States Attorney General Pamela Bondi (collectively, “Respondents”), by and through undersigned counsel, Kelly O. Hayes, United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, and Megan L. Micco, Assistant United States Attorney for that District, hereby respond to the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (ECF No. 1) (the “Petition”) filed by Petitioner Mauricio Alexander Orellana Quintanilla (“Petitioner”) and further move to dismiss the Petition in its entirety pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6) for the reasons set forth in the accompanying Memorandum of Law, which is incorporated by reference herein.

WHEREFORE, Respondents respectfully request that the Court deny the Petition and dismiss it in its entirety.

Dated: August 15, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 15th day of August, 2025, a copy of the foregoing Response to Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus and Motion to Dismiss with the accompanying Memorandum of Law in Support thereof and all supporting exhibits was served via CM/ECF on all parties and counsel receiving electronic notice in this case.

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