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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
11 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

12 Ruben BENITEZ;
13 Eliezer BERNAL MENDIOLA;
14 Veliz Armando BRAVO CHILEL;
15 Marco Eliseo CHAMORRO ARANGO;
16 Alpiria MARTINEZ CHAVEZ;
17 Angela FAVIAN ANGEL;
18 Hans HERNANDEZ PEREZ;
19 Mario ROMERO DE LA CRUZ; and
20 Jose VALERO LAGUNAS,
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Petitioners,

v.

18 Kristi NOEM, Secretary, U.S. Department of
19 Homeland Security; Pamela BONDI, U.S.
20 Attorney General; Todd LYONS, Acting
21 Director, Immigration and Customs
22 Enforcement; Ernesto SANTACRUZ JR., Acting
23 Director, Los Angeles Field Office, Immigration
24 and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and
25 Removal Operations; Fereti SEMAIA, Warden,
26 Adelanto ICE Processing Center;
27 IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS
28 ENFORCEMENT; and DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY,
Respondents.

Case No. 5:25-cv-2190

**NOTICE OF
RELATED CASES**

(Local Rule 83-1.3)

1 Pursuant to Local Rule 83.1.3, Petitioners file the instant Notice of
2 Related Case. Petitioners give notice that the above captioned case, *Benitez, et*
3 *al. v. Noem, et al.*, is related to *Maldonado Bautista, et al. v. Santacruz Jr., et*
4 *al.*, No. 5:25-cv-01873-SSS-BFM (C.D. Cal.) and *Ceja Gonzalez, et al. v. Noem,*
5 *et al.*, No. 5:25-cv-02054-ODW-BFM (C.D. Cal.).

6 Civil Local Rule 83-1.3.1 provides that an action is related to another
7 whenever the actions “appear: (a) To arise from the same or a closely related
8 transaction, happening, or event; or (b) To call for determination of the same
9 or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or (c) For other
10 reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different
11 judges; or (d) To involve the same patent, trademark or copyright, and one
12 of the factors identified above in a, b or c is present.” Civil L.R. 83-1.3.1.

13 The matters are related because of three factors. All cases involve
14 individuals arrested during recent ongoing and widespread immigration
15 enforcement actions in the Central District of California, arising from the same
16 or closely related events. All cases involve ICE and immigration judges
17 denying bond hearings to individuals based on new DHS and DOJ policy that
18 all persons who entered without inspection and are present without admission in
19 the United States are deemed applicants for admission to the United States and
20 are ineligible for bond hearings. Petitioners *Benitez et al.* raise the identical
21 claims of unlawful detention based on this new policy in violation of the
22 Immigration and Nationality Act, Fifth Amendment, and Administrative
23 Procedure Act that are raised in *Ceja Gonzalez* and *Maldonado Bautista*.
24 Additionally, Petitioners in all cases are represented by the same counsel.

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1 Furthermore, the consideration of the lawfulness of the detention would
2 potentially entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges.
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Respectfully Submitted,

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