

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division**

DOMINGO MERCADO LEIVA,	)	
	)	
Petitioner,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	Civil Action No. 1:25cv1902
	)	
KRISTI NOEM,	)	
Secretary of Homeland Security,	)	
	)	
Respondents.	)	
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NOTICE REGARDING PETITIONER'S BOND HEARING

Pursuant to this Court's order of December 15, 2025 (Dkt. No. 11), the federal respondents, through their undersigned counsel, hereby respectfully submit the instant notice regarding the bond hearing held with respect to petitioner in the above-captioned habeas action.

NOTICE

In this habeas action, petitioner Domingo Mercado Leiva filed his petition for a writ of habeas corpus on October 30, 2025 (Dkt. No. 1). After full briefing (Dkt. Nos. 8-9), on December 15, 2025, this Court entered an order granting the petition, which directed, *inter alia*, the federal respondents "provide Petitioner with a bond hearing before an immigration judge pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a) within seven days of the date of this Order" (Dkt. No. 11, at 5).

The Immigration Court held a bond hearing for petitioner on December 18, 2025, at which time the Immigration Court ordered that petitioner be released on a \$1,500 bond.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Date: December 20, 2025

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this date, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send a notification of such filing ("NEF") to the following:

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