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16 MARIBEL CATALAN RAMIREZ,

17 Petitioner,

18 v.

19 JAMES JANECKA, *et al.*,

20 Respondents.
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No. 5:25-cv-03418-FWS-DFM

**FEDERAL RESPONDENTS' ANSWER
TO PETITION OF HABEAS CORPUS
FILED BY PERSONS IN FEDERAL
CUSTODY (28 U.S.C. § 2241)**

Honorable Douglas F. McCormick
United States Magistrate Judge

1 In her operative Amended Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (the “petition”),
2 petitioner Maribel Catalan Ramirez seeks, among other things, either a bond hearing
3 before an Immigration Judge or immediate release from immigration detention. *See*
4 *generally* Dkt. 6.

5 The extraordinary relief of immediate release is not required in this matter as the
6 issues presented are already being litigated within the Central District. Petitioner appears
7 to be a member of the Bond Eligible Class certified in *Maldonado Bautista v. Santacruz*,
8 No. 5:25-CV-01873-SSS-BFM, 2025 WL 3288403 (C.D. Cal. Nov. 25, 2025). On
9 December 18, 2025, the *Bautista* court entered final judgment as to the Bond Eligible
10 Class. *See* *Bautista*, ECF No. 94. A notice of appeal was then filed by the *Bautista*
11 defendants on December 18, 2025, ECF No. 95.

12 Accordingly, Respondents acknowledge that Petitioner’s claim in this action as to
13 her entitlement to a bond hearing appears to be subject to the *Bautista* judgment and to
14 any applicable appellate proceedings relating to it. To the extent Petitioner seeks an
15 order requiring such a bond hearing here, it should be consistent with what Courts in this
16 District have generally ordered in similar cases, which is to require a 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a)
17 hearing be held where Petitioner has the burden of proof to show she is not a danger or
18 flight risk.

19 Respectfully submitted,

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