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Hon. Evelyn Padin, U.S.D.J.
U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
50 Walnut Street
Newark, NJ 07102

**Re: *Valdez Romero v. Soto*, No. 25-18793
Result of Petitioner's Bond Hearing**

Dear Judge Padin:

This Office represents Respondents in the above-referenced matter. We write in response to the Court's January 5, 2026 order, ECF No. 7, to report that an Immigration Judge held a bond hearing for Petitioner this morning, at which the Immigration Judge ordered that Petitioner be released from custody under bond of \$4,000. *See* Exh. A. We therefore respectfully request that Your Honor close this case.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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