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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
EASTERN DIVISION - RIVERSIDE

HECTOR JOSE MARTINEZ LOPEZ,

Petitioner,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
SECURITY, et.al.,

Respondent.

Case No. 5:25-cv-03607-KK-ADS

**STATEMENT OF
REPRESENTATION**

1 Per this Court's order of December 31, 2025, Counsel for Petitioner hereby files
2 a statement of representation, supported by the Declaration of Emily Groendyke.

3 Respectfully submitted,

4 CUAUHTEMOC ORTEGA
5 Federal Public Defender
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7 DATED: January 27, 2026

By /s/ Emily J.M. Groendyke

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9 Deputy Federal Public Defender

10 Attorney for Petitioner
11 HECTOR JOSE MARTINEZ LOPEZ
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DECLARATION OF EMILY J.M. GROENDYKE

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2 1. I am a member of the bar of the State of California and the Central District
3 of California and I work as a Deputy Federal Public Defender. I have been assigned to
4 represent Petitioner Hector Jose Martinez Lopez in this matter.

5 2. On January 20 and 22, 2026, I spoke to Mr. Martinez Lopez on the phone.
6 I explained that the Court had appointed the Office of the Federal Public Defender to
7 represent him for the litigation of his petition. I explained that the representation would
8 be free of charge if he wanted our office to represent him.

9 3. He confirmed that he would like the office to represent him in the
10 litigation of his petition.

11 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America
12 that the foregoing is true and correct.

13 Executed on January 27, 2026, at Los Angeles, California.

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15 /s/ Emily J.M. Groendyke
16 EMILY J.M. GROENDYKE
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