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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL DIVISION

LUIS ALMONTE PEREZ, Petitioner, v. **WARDEN OF FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER PHILADELPHIA**; **MICHAEL ROSE,** Acting Director of Philadelphia Field Office, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; **KRISTI NOEM,** Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security; and **PAMELA BONDI,** Attorney General of the United States, in their official capacities, Respondents.	Case No. 2:26-cv-00977 **PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS**

INTRODUCTION

LUIS ALMONTE PEREZ (hereinafter referred to as "Petitioner"), A [redacted] submits this petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241 and the Suspension Clause (Article 1, Section 9, Clause 2) of the United States Constitution. Petitioner requests that this Court release him from detention by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") or, alternatively, conduct or order a bond hearing in which the Respondents bear the burden of justifying Petitioner's continued detention. Petitioner also requests that the

Court set aside recent policies implemented by Respondents that are contrary to the statutory right of non-citizens like Petitioner to seek release and bail through an exercise of the Respondents' discretion.

Petitioner is a citizen of the Dominican Republic who entered the United States on December 29, 2022, at the Eagle pass, Texas Port of Entry. He was detained by the border police and then paroled. Petitioner was detained by ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), on February 13, 2026, while reporting for a scheduled appointment with ICE ERO. This occurred despite the requirement under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a) and its implementing regulations that immigration officials make an individualized custody determination. Moreover, Respondents have adopted policies enshrined in administrative decisions by the Board of Immigration Appeals ("BIA") that subject non-citizens like the Petitioner to mandatory detention in violation of Section 1226(a). Petitioner was identified and taken into custody. His ICE detainee locator states that he is at Philadelphia FDC (Exh. A). As such, Petitioner was present within the jurisdiction of this court at the time of filing, at Philadelphia FDC.

JURISDICTION

1. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

2. This action arises under the Constitution of the United States and the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), 8 U.S.C. § 1101 *et seq*.

3. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 (habeas corpus), 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question), and Article I, § 9, cl. 2 of the United States Constitution (Suspension Clause).

4. This Court may grant relief under the habeas corpus statutes, 28 U.S.C. § 2241 *et. seq*., the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2201 *et seq*., and the All Writs Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1651.

VENUE

5. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

6. Venue is proper because Petitioner is detained at FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, which is within the jurisdiction of this District.

REQUIREMENTS OF 28 U.S.C. § 2243

7. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

8. The Court must grant the petition for writ of habeas corpus or issue an order to show cause (OSC) to the respondents "forthwith," unless the petitioner is not entitled to relief. 28 U.S.C. § 2243. If an order to show cause is issued, the Court must require respondents to file a return "within *three days* unless for good cause additional time, not exceeding twenty days, is allowed." *Id.* (emphasis added).

9. Courts have long recognized the significance of the habeas statute in protecting individuals from unlawful detention. The Great Writ has been referred to as "perhaps the most important writ known to the constitutional law of England, affording as it does a *swift* and imperative remedy in all cases of illegal restraint or confinement." *Fay v. Noia*, 372 U.S. 391,

400 (1963) (emphasis added).

PARTIES

10. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

11. Petitioner is an inspected and paroled non-immigrant. Petitioner is currently detained at FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER in Philadelphia, PA. He is in the custody, and under the direct control, of Respondents and their agents.

12. Respondent **WARDEN OF FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER** is the Warden of FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER, and he has immediate physical custody of Petitioner pursuant to the facility's contract with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to detain noncitizens and is a legal custodian of Petitioner. Respondent is a legal custodian of Petitioner.

13. Respondent **MICHAEL ROSE** is sued in his official capacity as the Acting Director of the Philadelphia Field Office of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Respondent ROSE is a legal custodian of Petitioner and has authority to release him.

14. Respondent **KRISTI NOEM** is sued in her official capacity as the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In this capacity, Respondent **NOEM** is responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and oversees U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement custody. Respondent **NOEM** is a legal custodian of Petitioner.

15. Respondent **PAMELA BONDI** is sued in her official capacity as the Attorney General of the United States and the senior official of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). In that capacity, she has the authority to adjudicate removal cases and to oversee the Executive

Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), which administers the immigration courts and the BIA. Respondent **BONDI** is a legal custodian of Petitioner.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK

16. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

17. For non-citizens attempting to the enter the United States, the INA provides under 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(2)(A) that "in the case of [a non-citizen] who is an applicant from admission, if the examining immigration officer determines that an alien seeking admission is not clearly and beyond a doubt entitled to be admitted, the alien shall be detained." "A noncitizen detained under Section 1225(b)(2) may be released only if he is paroled 'for urgent humanitarian reasons or significant public benefit' pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1182(d)(5)(A)." Gomes v. Hyde, 25 Civ. 11571, 2025 WL 1868288, at *2 (D. Mass. July 7, 2025) (quoting Jennings v. Rodriguez, 583 U.S. 281, 300 (2018)).

18. In contrast, the Supreme Court has found that "U.S. immigration law authorizes the Government to detain certain [non-citizens] already in the country pending the outcome of removal proceedings under §§ 1226(a) and (c)." Jennings, 583 U.S. at 288-89.

19. Section 236 of the INA provides in relevant part as follows:

> (a) Arrest, Detention, and Release. On a warrant issued by the Attorney General, an alien may be arrested and detained pending a decision on whether the alien is to be removed from the United States. Except as provided in subsection (c) and pending such decision, the Attorney General—
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> (1) may continue to detain the arrested alien; and
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> (2) may release the alien on—
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> (A) bond of at least $1,500 with security approved by, and containing conditions prescribed by, the Attorney General; or
>
> (B) conditional parole ...

20. The Supreme Court has interpreted similar "may" language in other provisions of the INA to require "some level of individualized determination." I.N.S. v. Nat'l Ctr. For Immigrants' Rights, 502 U.S. 183, 194 (1991). The regulation implementing Respondents' authority to arrest non-citizens present in the United States reads:

> *"Any officer authorized to issue a warrant of arrest may, in the officer's discretion, release an alien not described in [8 U.S.C. § 1236(c)(1)] of the Act, under the conditions at section [8 U.S.C. § 1236(a)(2) and (3)]; provided that the alien must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the officer that such release would not pose a danger to property or persons, and that the alien is likely to appear for any future proceeding."*
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> 8 U.S.C. § 1236.1(c)(8).

21. Noncitizens may request a review of an initial custody determination before an Immigration Judge ("IJ"). 8 C.F.R. § 1236.1(d)(1); 8 C.F.R. § 1002.19(a). At this hearing an IJ may make the decision "upon any information that is available to the [Immigration Judge] or that is presented to him or her by the [non-citizen] or the [government]." 8 C.F.R. § 1003.19(d); see also Matter of Guerra, 24 I&N Dec. 37, 39 (BIA 2006). Non-citizens may appeal a negative decision in a custody review before an IJ to the Board of Immigration Appeals. 8 C.F.R. § 1236.1(d)(3)(i). The current statutory scheme was created through the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 ("IIRIRA").

22. For the first time in nearly three decades, Respondents have taken the position through a series of precedential decisions by the Board of Immigration Appeals that non-citizens residing in the interior of the United States are not entitled to a custody redetermination (a "bond hearing") before an Immigration Judge.

23. First, in Matter of Q. Li, 29 I&N Dec. 66 (BIA 2025), the BIA held that a non-citizen who had been apprehended at the border and subsequently released into the United States is subject to mandatory detention without a possibility of bail upon re-detention, pursuant

to 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b), even if that re-detention occurs years after their initial release from custody. The BIA reasoned that "an applicant for admission who is arrested and detained without a warrant while in the process of arriving in the United States, whether or not at a port of entry, and subsequently placed in removal proceedings is detained under section [1225(b)] [], and is ineligible for any subsequent release on bond under section [1226(a)]." Q. Li, 29 I&N Dec. at 74.

24. Then in Matter of Yajure Hurtado, 29 I&N Dec. 216 (BIA 2025), the BIA stated that all non-citizens who are present in the United States without admission are subject to mandatory detention under Section 1225(b), regardless of how long they have been residing in the U.S. and absent any prior interaction with immigration authorities.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

25. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

26. Petitioner is a citizen of the Dominican Republic.

27. On December 29, 2022, Petitioner entered the United States near the Eagle pass Port of Entry in Texas. He has completed and filed his I-485 as well as his I-130. He is eligible for adjustment of status as he was paroled into the United States and is married to a U.S. Citizen.

28. Petitioner has not yet been served with a notice to appear, and his deportation case has yet to be initiated. See the EOIR Automated Case Information page attached as Exhibit "B".

29. Respondent actions were arbitrary and capricious, respondent is not subject to mandatory detention under the Immigration and Nationality act.

CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

COUNT ONE
VIOLATION OF DUE PROCESS, U.S. CONST. AMEND. V

30. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

31. The Fifth Amendment's Due Process Clause prevents the Government from depriving any person of "life, liberty, or property, without due process of law." U.S. Const. amend. V.

32. The Due Process Clause extends to noncitizens residing in the United States, whether they have lawful status or not. See Mathews v. Diaz, 426 U.S. 67, 77 (1976); Zadvydas v. Davis, 533 U.S. 678, 693 (2001). Specifically, "[i]t is well established that the Fifth Amendment entitles [non-citizens] to due process of law in deportation proceedings. Reno v. Flores, 507 U.S. 292, 306 (1993); see also Abdulai v. Ashcroft, 239 F.3d 542, 549 (3d Cir. 2001) ("[Non-citizens] facing removal are entitled to due process"); Calderon-Rosas v. Atty' Gen., 957 F.3d 378, 386 (3d Cir. 2020) ("In sum, petitioners seeking discretionary relief are entitled the fundamentally fair removal proceedings, which constitutes a protected interest supporting a due process claim.

33. Evaluating the adequacy of the process provided to a non-citizen requires a balancing of factors. "First, the private interest that will be affected by the official action; second, the risk of an erroneous deprivation of such interest through the procedures used, and the probable value, if any, of additional or substitute procedural safeguards; and finally, the Government's interest, including the function involved and the fiscal and administrative burdens that the additional or substitute procedural requirement would entail." Mathews v. Eldridge, 424 U.S. 319, 335 (1976).

34. First, Petitioner faces "the most significant liberty interest there is–the interest in being free from imprisonment." Velasco Lopez v. Decker, 978 F.3d 842, 851 (2d Cir. 2020)

(citing Hamdi v. Rumsfeld, 542 U.S. 507, 529 (2004)). Second, Respondents have erroneously deprived Petitioner of his liberty without any individualized assessment of his circumstances. Third, Respondents did not make any individualized finding that Petitioner was a danger or flight risk, so there does not appear to be a significant government interest in detaining Petitioner.

35. An application of these factors requires that Petitioner should have been provided with additional process before being detained.

COUNT TWO
VIOLATION OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT, 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a)

36. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

37. The mandatory detention provision at 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(2) does not apply to all noncitizens residing in the United States who are subject to grounds of inadmissibility. As, relevant here, it does not apply to those who have been residing in the United States at liberty after being briefly detained at or near the border. Such noncitizens, if detained, are done so under § 1226(a), and are generally eligible release on bond.

38. Respondents' authority to detain Petitioner is derived from 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a) as Petitioner is already present in the United States.

39. Respondents have detained Petitioner without making an individualized determination regarding whether he posed a danger or flight risk as required by 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a) and its regulations.

40. Moreover, Respondents' current policies as set forth in the BIA's decisions in Matter of Q. Li and Matter of Yajure Hurtado unlawfully prevent Petitioner from obtaining a custody redetermination in front of an Immigration Judge as is his right by statute.

COUNT THREE
VIOLATION OF THE BOND REGULATIONS,
8 C.F.R. § 236.1, 1236.1 and 1003.19

41. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

42. In 1997, after Congress amended the INA through IIRIRA, EOIR the then-Immigration and Naturalization Service issued an interim rule to interpret and apply IIRIRA. Specifically, under the heading of "Apprehension, Custody, and Detention of [Non-citizens]," the agencies explained that "[d]espite being applicants for admission, [noncitizens] who are present without having been admitted or paroled (formerly referred to as [noncitizens] who entered without inspection) will be eligible for bond and bond redetermination." 62 Fed. Reg. at 10323 (emphasis added). Thus, the agencies made clear that non-citizens present in the United States would be eligible for consideration for bond and bond hearings before IJs under 8 U.S.C. § 1226 and its implementing regulations.

43. Yet, Respondents have adopted a policy and practice of applying § 1225(b)(2) to non-citizens like Petitioner who are present in the United States without being admitted or paroled.

44. The application of § 1225(b)(2) to Petitioner unlawfully mandates his continued detention in violation of 8 C.F.R. §§ 236.1, 1236.1, and 1003.19.

COUNT THREE
VIOLATION OF THE BOND REGULATIONS,
8 C.F.R. § 236.1, 1236.1 and 1003.19

45. Petitioner incorporates the above paragraphs as if set forth herein.

46. Petitioner is aggrieved by agency action under the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. §§ 701 et. seq. Specifically, Respondents have acted arbitrarily in detainingPetitioner without conducting an individualized determination into his circumstances. In other words,

Respondents have not presented any indication that Petitioner's circumstances have changed such that he is now a danger or flight risk in a way that he was not when he was released on parole at the border in November of 2022.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Wherefore, Petitioner respectfully requests this Court to grant the following:

(1) Assume jurisdiction over this matter;

(2) Issue an Order to Show Cause ordering Respondents to show cause why this Petition should not be granted within three days.

(3) Declare that Petitioner's detention violates the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment, and the Immigration and Nationality Act;

(4) Issue a Writ of Habeas Corpus ordering Respondents to release Petitioner immediately;

(5) Award Petitioner attorney's fees and costs under the Equal Access to Justice Act, and on any other basis justified under law; and

(6) Grant any further relief this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2242

I represent Petitioner, LUIS ALMONTE PEREZ, and submit this verification on his behalf. I hereby verify that the factual statements made in the foregoing Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dated this fifth day of February, 2026.

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JS 44 (Rev. 03/24)

CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

LUIS ALMONTE PEREZ

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Philadelphia
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys *(Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)*

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DEFENDANTS

MICHAEL ROSE; KRISTI NOEM; PAMELA BONDI, Et. Al.

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys *(If Known)*

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION *(Place an "X" in One Box Only)*

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- ☐ 3 Federal Question *(U.S. Government Not a Party)*
- ☒ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ☐ 4 Diversity *(Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)*

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES *(Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)*

(For Diversity Cases Only)

	PTF	DEF		PTF	DEF
Citizen of This State	☐ 1	☐ 1	Incorporated *or* Principal Place of Business In This State	☐ 4	☐ 4
Citizen of Another State	☐ 2	☐ 2	Incorporated *and* Principal Place of Business In Another State	☐ 5	☐ 5
Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	☐ 3	☐ 3	Foreign Nation	☐ 6	☐ 6

IV. NATURE OF SUIT *(Place an "X" in One Box Only)*

Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.

CONTRACT
- ☐ 110 Insurance
- ☐ 120 Marine
- ☐ 130 Miller Act
- ☐ 140 Negotiable Instrument
- ☐ 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment
- ☐ 151 Medicare Act
- ☐ 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans)
- ☐ 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits
- ☐ 160 Stockholders' Suits
- ☐ 190 Other Contract
- ☐ 195 Contract Product Liability
- ☐ 196 Franchise

TORTS

PERSONAL INJURY
- ☐ 310 Airplane
- ☐ 315 Airplane Product Liability
- ☐ 320 Assault, Libel & Slander
- ☐ 330 Federal Employers' Liability
- ☐ 340 Marine
- ☐ 345 Marine Product Liability
- ☐ 350 Motor Vehicle
- ☐ 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability
- ☐ 360 Other Personal Injury
- ☐ 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice

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- ☐ 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability
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- ☐ 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability

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- ☐ 370 Other Fraud
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FORFEITURE/PENALTY
- ☐ 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881
- ☐ 690 Other

LABOR
- ☐ 710 Fair Labor Standards Act
- ☐ 720 Labor/Management Relations
- ☐ 740 Railway Labor Act
- ☐ 751 Family and Medical Leave Act
- ☐ 790 Other Labor Litigation
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- ☐ 880 Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016

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- ☐ 862 Black Lung (923)
- ☐ 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g))
- ☐ 864 SSID Title XVI
- ☐ 865 RSI (405(g))

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- ☐ 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange
- ☐ 890 Other Statutory Actions
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- ☐ 896 Arbitration
- ☐ 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision
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- ☐ 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other
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- ☐ 530 General
- ☐ 535 Death Penalty

Other:
- ☐ 540 Mandamus & Other
- ☐ 550 Civil Rights
- ☐ 555 Prison Condition
- ☐ 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement

V. ORIGIN *(Place an "X" in One Box Only)*

☒ 1 Original Proceeding ☐ 2 Removed from State Court ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5 Transferred from Another District *(specify)* ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer ☐ 8 Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing ***(Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity)***:
S. CONST. AMEND. V, 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a)

Brief description of cause:
Habeas Petition against the U.S. Government for wrongful detention of petitioner.

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A **CLASS ACTION** UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND $

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND: ☐ Yes ☒ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions): JUDGE _____ DOCKET NUMBER _____

DATE: 2/16/2026

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD: /s/Albert I. Robles

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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I.(a) **Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.

(b) **County of Residence.** For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)

(c) **Attorneys.** Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".

II. **Jurisdiction.** The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.
United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.
United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.
Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.
Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below**; NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.**)

III. **Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.** This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.

IV. **Nature of Suit.** Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If there are multiple nature of suit codes associated with the case, pick the nature of suit code that is most applicable. Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.

V. **Origin.** Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.
Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.
Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441.
Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.
Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.
Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.
Multidistrict Litigation – Transfer. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.
Multidistrict Litigation – Direct File. (8) Check this box when a multidistrict case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket.
PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT AN ORIGIN CODE 7. Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statute.

VI. **Cause of Action.** Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.** Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service.

VII. **Requested in Complaint.** Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.
Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction.
Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

VIII. **Related Cases.** This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related cases, if any. If there are related cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

DESIGNATION FORM

Place of Accident, Incident, or Transaction: Philadelphia, PA

RELATED CASE IF ANY: Case Number: N/A Judge: N/A

1. Does this case involve property included in an earlier numbered suit? Yes ☐
2. Does this case involve a transaction or occurrence which was the subject of an earlier numbered suit? Yes ☐
3. Does this case involve the validity or infringement of a patent which was the subject of an earlier numbered suit? Yes ☐
4. Is this case a second or successive habeas corpus petition, social security appeal, or pro se case filed by the same individual? Yes ☐
5. Is this case related to an earlier numbered suit even though none of the above categories apply? If yes, attach an explanation. Yes ☐

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the within case ☐ **is** / ☒ **is not** related to any pending or previously terminated action in this court.

Civil Litigation Categories

A. Federal Question Cases:

- ☐ 1. Indemnity Contract, Marine Contract, and All Other Contracts)
- ☐ 2. FELA
- ☐ 3. Jones Act-Personal Injury
- ☐ 4. Antitrust
- ☐ 5. Wage and Hour Class Action/Collective Action
- ☐ 6. Patent
- ☐ 7. Copyright/Trademark
- ☐ 8. Employment
- ☐ 9. Labor-Management Relations
- ☐ 10. Civil Rights
- ☒ 11. Habeas Corpus
- ☐ 12. Securities Cases
- ☐ 13. Social Security Review Cases
- ☐ 14. Qui Tam Cases
- ☐ 15. Cases Seeking Systemic Relief ***see certification below***
- ☐ 16. All Other Federal Question Cases. *(Please specify)*:_____

B. Diversity Jurisdiction Cases:

- ☐ 1. Insurance Contract and Other Contracts
- ☐ 2. Airplane Personal Injury
- ☐ 3. Assault, Defamation
- ☐ 4. Marine Personal Injury
- ☐ 5. Motor Vehicle Personal Injury
- ☐ 6. Other Personal Injury (*Please specify*):_____
- ☐ 7. Products Liability
- ☐ 8. All Other Diversity Cases: *(Please specify)*_____

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the remedy sought in this case ☐ **does** / ☒ **does not** have implications beyond the parties before the court and ☐ **does** / ☒ **does not** seek to bar or mandate statewide or nationwide enforcement of a state or federal law including a rule, regulation, policy, or order of the executive branch or a state or federal agency, whether by declaratory judgment and/or any form of injunctive relief.

ARBITRATION CERTIFICATION (CHECK ONLY ONE BOX BELOW)

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

☒ Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 53.2(3), this case is not eligible for arbitration either because (1) it seeks relief other than money damages; (2) the money damages sought are in excess of $150,000 exclusive of interest and costs; (3) it is a social security case, includes a prisoner as a party, or alleges a violation of a right secured by the U.S. Constitution, or (4) jurisdiction is based in whole or in part on 28 U.S.C. § 1343.

☐ None of the restrictions in Local Civil Rule 53.2 apply and this case is eligible for arbitration.

NOTE: A trial de novo will be by jury only if there has been compliance with F.R.C.P. 38.

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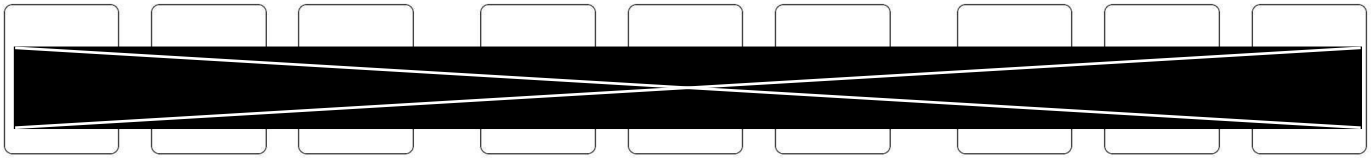
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