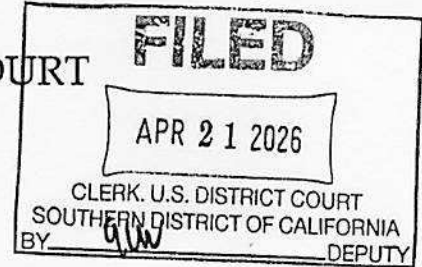


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the
Southern District of Illinois



MYKHAILO VELYCHKO

Petitioner

(the name under which you were convicted)

v.

CHRISTOFER J. LAROSE SENIOR WARDEN,
OTAY MESA DETENTION CENTER

Respondent

(authorized person having custody of Petitioner)

Case Number: '26 CV2520 DMS MSB

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2241

Personal Information

1. (a) Your full name: MYKHAILO VELYCHKO
(b) Other names you have used: _____
2. Place of confinement:
(a) Name of institution: OTAY MESA DETENTION CENTER
(b) Address: 7488 CALZADA DE LA FUENTE
SAN DIEGO, CA, 92154
(c) Your identification number: 
3. Are you currently being held on orders by:
☒ Federal authorities ☐ State authorities ☐ Other - explain: _____
4. Are you currently:
☐ A pretrial detainee (waiting for trial on criminal charges)
☐ Serving a sentence (incarceration, parole, probation, etc.) after having been convicted of a crime
If you are currently serving a sentence, provide:
(a) Name and location of court that sentenced _____
(b) Docket number of criminal case: _____
(c) Date of sentencing: _____
☒ Being held on an immigration charge
☐ Other (explain): _____

Decision or Action You Are Challenging

5. What are you challenging in this petition:
☐ How your sentence is being carried out, calculated, or credited by prison or parole authorities (for example, revocation or calculation of good time credits)

- ☐ Pretrial detention
- ☒ Immigration detention
- ☐ Detainer
- ☐ The validity of your conviction or sentence as imposed (for example, sentence beyond the statutory maximum or improperly calculated under the sentencing guidelines)
- ☐ Disciplinary proceedings
- ☐ Other (explain): _____

6. Provide more information about the decision or action you are challenging:

- (a) Name and location of the agency or court: U.S. Immigration and customs enforcement(ICE)
OTAY MESA DETENTION CENTER SAN DIEGO,CA
- (b) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____
- (c) Decision or action you are challenging (for disciplinary proceedings, specify the penalties imposed):
Petitioner is challenging his prolonged and excessive detention without an individualized bond
hearing. Petitioner is requesting his immediate release from the custody as he is a member of
CLASS ACTION NOTICE Under 1226(a).
- (d) Date of the decision or action: _____

Your Earlier Challenges of the Decision or Action

7. **First appeal**

Did you appeal the decision, file a grievance, or seek an administrative remedy?

- ☐ Yes ☒ No

(a) If "Yes," provide:

- (1) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____
- (2) Date of filing: _____
- (3) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____
- (4) Result: _____
- (5) Date of result: _____
- (6) Issues raised: _____

(b) If you answered "No," explain why you did not _____

8. **Second appeal**

After the first appeal, did you file a second appeal to a higher authority, agency, or court?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(a) If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____

(2) Date of filing: _____

(3) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

(b) If you answered "No," explain why you did not file a second appeal: _____

9. **Third appeal**

After the second appeal, did you file a third appeal to a higher authority, agency, or court?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(a) If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____

(2) Date of filing: _____

(3) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

(b) If you answered "No," explain why you did not file a third appeal: _____

10. **Motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255**

In this petition, are you challenging the validity of your conviction or sentence as imposed?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," answer the following:

(a) Have you already filed a motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 that challenged this conviction or sentence?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of court: _____

(2) Case number: _____

(3) Date of filing: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

(b) Have you ever filed a motion in a United States Court of Appeals under 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b)(3)(A), seeking permission to file a second or successive Section 2255 motion to challenge this conviction or sentence?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of court: _____

(2) Case number: _____

(3) Date of filing: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

(c) Explain why the remedy under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 is inadequate or ineffective to challenge your conviction or sentence: _____

11. **Appeals of immigration proceedings**

Does this case concern immigration proceedings?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," provide:

(a) Date you were taken into immigration custody: 03/15/2026

(b) Date of the removal or reinstatement order: _____

(c) Did you file an appeal with the Board of Immigration Appeals?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," provide:

(1) Date of filing: _____

(2) Case number: _____

(3) Result: _____

(4) Date of result: _____

(5) Issues raised: _____

(d) Did you appeal the decision to the United States Court of Appeals?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," provide:

(1) Name of court: _____

(2) Date of filing: _____

(3) Case number: _____

(4) Result: _____

(5) Date of result: _____

(6) Issues raised: _____

12. **Other appeals**

Other than the appeals you listed above, have you filed any other petition, application, or motion about the issues raised in this petition?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," provide:

(a) Kind of petition, motion, or application: _____

(b) Name of the authority, agency, or court: _____

(c) Date of filing: _____

(d) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: _____

(e) Result: _____

(f) Date of result: _____

(g) Issues raised: _____

Grounds for Your Challenge in This Petition

13. State every ground (reason) that supports your claim that you are being held in violation of the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the United States. Attach additional pages if you have more than four grounds. State the facts supporting each ground.

GROUND ONE: PROLONGED AND EXCESSIVE DETENTION IN VIOLATION OF DUE PROCESS

(a) Supporting facts (*Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.*):

I have been subjected to prolonged and excessive immigration detention in violation of the due process clause of United States Constitution. Although immigration detention is civil and not intended to be punitive. My detention has far exceeded any reasonable purpose. As a result, my detention has become excessive, arbitrary and unconstitutional.

(b) Did you present Ground One in all appeals that were available to you?

☐ Yes ☒ No

GROUND TWO: I DO NOT POSE DANGER TO THE COMMUNITY AND CONTINUED
DETENTION IS UNJUSTIFIED.

(a) Supporting facts *(Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.):*

Please see attached continuation of ground two.

(b) Did you present Ground Two in all appeals that were available to you?

☐ Yes

☒ No

GROUND THREE: MY CONTINUED DETENTION IS PUNITIVE, EXCESSIVE AND NO LONGER
SERVES A LEGITIMATE CIVIL IMMIGRATION PURPOSE.

(a) Supporting facts *(Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.):*

Please see attached continuation of ground three.

(b) Did you present Ground Three in all appeals that were available to you?

☐ Yes

☐ No

GROUND FOUR: I AM NOT A FLIGHT RISK AND CONTINUED DETENTION IS UNJUSTIFIED.

(a) Supporting facts *(Be brief. Do not cite cases or law.):*

Please see attached continuation of ground four.

(b) Did you present Ground Four in all appeals that were available to you?

☐ Yes

☒ No

14. If there are any grounds that you did not present in all appeals that were available to you, explain why you did not: I did not previously present these grounds because i was detained,unrepresented and lacked meaningful access to legal resources. I was unable to adequately understand or raise these constitutional claims earlier.

Request for Relief

15. State exactly what you want the court to do: I respectfully request that the court order my immediate release or a bond hearing from immigration detention .As my Continued Detention is Excessive and no longer serves a legitimate civil immigration purpose. The United States District Court for the Central District of California in Lazaro Maldonado Bautista et al. v. Ernesto Santacruz Jr et Al., No 5:25-cv-01873 SSSBFM(C.D.CAL.2025).ON DECEMBER 18,2025 The District Court Issued a ruling that certain immigration detainees may be unlawfully detained and may seek release on bond or conditional parole under 8 U.S.C § 1226(a).Therefore,you may be entitled to request release on bond or conditional parole by immigration. Petitioner is requesting a PUBLIC DEFENDER/Pro-bono lawyer since he have been detained for no reason and petitioner does not have funds to pay to the lawyer.

Declaration Under Penalty Of Perjury

If you are incarcerated, on what date did you place this petition in the prison mail system:

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the petitioner, I have read this petition or had it read to me, and the information in this petition is true and correct. I understand that a false statement of a material fact may serve as the basis for prosecution for perjury.

Date: _____

Signature of Petitioner

Signature of Attorney or other authorized person, if any