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AO 242 (Rev. 09/17) Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

GURDIT SINGH
Petitioner

v.

CHRISTOPHER CHESTNUT
Respondent
(name of warden or authorized person having custody of petitioner)

Case No. 1:26CV05356-TLN-AC (HC)

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

Personal Information

1. (a) Your full name: GURDIT SINGH
   (b) Other names you have used: GORDIT DIT SINGH
2. Place of confinement:
   (a) Name of institution: California city Immigration processing center.
   (b) Address: 22844 Virginia BLVD, California city - CA, 93505
   (c) Your identification number: [redacted]
3. Are you currently being held on orders by:
   ☐ Federal authorities ☐ State authorities ☑ Other - explain:
   Immigration Authorities
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 you:
   (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: ADELANTO IMMIGRATION COURT 10250 Rancho Road Adelanto - CA, 92301

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

(c) Decision or action you are challenging *(for disciplinary proceedings, specify the penalties imposed)*:

Continued detention is punitive in nature no longer serves a valid civil immigration purpose, especially where removal is not Imminent administratively and Immigration relief is approval.

(d) Date of the decision or action: Pending

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 appeal: _____

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: 30th October 2026

(b) Date of the removal or reinstatement order: May 6th 2026

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

✓ ■ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," provide:

(1) Date of filing: May 8th 2026
(2) Case number: [redacted]
(3) Result: Pending
(4) Date of result: NA
(5) Issues raised: Immigration Judge believed that petitioner was harmed and tortured in his country but due to lack of evidence Immigration Judge denied his Asylum Application. As a matter of fact Petitioner submitted those documents but court did not accept it due to late fieling. petitioner did not able to filed those document on time because of detention.

(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: Bond denial Appeal
(b) Name of the authority, agency, or court: Board of Immigration Appeals
(c) Date of filing: June 24th 2026
(d) Docket number, case number, or opinion number: [redacted]
(e) Result: Pending
(f) Date of result: NA.
(g) Issues raised: Immigration Judge consider petitioner flight risk due to lack of work history in U.S. however petitioner recently got work permit and ICE detain him before his joining at [redacted] warehouse bakersfield. Immigration Judge failed to weight petitioner strong community ties, stable address ~~not since~~ Since. his released and an approved I-360 CSIJJ.

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. Any legal arguments must be submitted in a separate memorandum.

GROUND ONE: Petitioner challenges his unlawful and Prolong Detention, ICE violated the fifth amendement of Due Process clause.

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

Please check Attachment A.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

GROUND TWO: Petitioner challenges violation of Immigration and Nationality Act, Continued detention is unjustified and violation of the forth Amendment.

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

Please check Attachment A.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

GROUND THREE: Petitioner challenges confinement causes harm that cannot later be undone or compensate monetary damages.

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

Please check Attachment C

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

GROUND FOUR:

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

(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:

Request for Relief

15. State exactly what you want the court to do: Petitioner request Immediate release and grant an Injunction that respondents be enjoined from re-detaining absent a custody re-determination hearing before an Immigration Judge, and orders that petitioner cannot be re-detains, absent a change in circumstances.

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: 07/08/2026

[redacted]

Signature of Petitioner

Signature of Attorney or other authorized person, if any

ATTACHMENT A

GROUND ONE

Petitioner challenges its unlawful and Prolong Detention violation of fifth amendment of *Due Process Clause.*

Petitioners has been Detained by ICE for almost **nine months**. Petitioner concerns because ICE violated the fundamental principle of Due Process Cause which was guaranteed by constitutions of fifth amendment because petitioner was re-detain without a notice and any Pre-deprivation hearing. Despite having approved relief of **i360 (SPECIAL IMMIGRATS JUVENILE)** by the immigration authorities **USCIS.**

SPECIAL IMMIGRATS JUVENILE status offers children eligibility and the right to apply of adjustment of status to lawful permanent resident. In addition to that, on 6th may 2026 an immigration Judge order petitioner removed to India. However, on may 8th 2026 Petitioner timely flied an appeal against the removal order at Board of Immigration Appeals. Hence the removal order is not administratively final.

Continued detention is punitive in nature no longer serves a valid civil immigration purpose, especially where removal is not imminent administratively and immigration relief approved. In addition to that **9th circuit concluded aliens who have once passed through our gates, even illegally,** are afforded the full panoply of procedural ***due process clause*** protections.

Petitioner has a serious concern about his illegal detention because he is not an applicant of admission his re detention without having a final administrative order is a Violation of the Fifth amendment of ***Due process clause*** and interference with meaningful access to relief because as petitioner has a approved **i360 (SPECIAL IMMIGRATS JUVENILE).** Petitioner has already missed scheduled bio metrics appointment twice,he was unable to attend solely due to ICE detention.

Furthermore, During his prolonged detention he had developed multiple medical conditions and continue to suffer from ongoing physical health problems as well as Significant **depression** and **anxiety** due to detention conditions and preexisting trauma related to **i360 (SPECIAL IMMIGRATS JUVENILE)** circumstances. Petitioner mental Health is deteriorated as a direct consequence of pro long detention.

ATTACHMENT B

GROUND TWO

Petitioner challenges Violation of Immigration and Nationality Act Petitioner does not pose Danger to Community or a Flight Risk, continued detention is unjustified and violation of forth amendment.

Petitioner was entered united states 16th September 2024 where he was encountered by U.S. Customs and border protection officers. Later, on petitioner was release on his on recognizance by CBP. Petitioner release was pursuant to **Section 236** which is codified by **§1226** and Such release created a reasonable expectation of continue liberty interest.

During his re-detention petitioner fully cooperated till date petitioner is detained for almost nine months, he has maintained a **clean and disciplinary-free record.** The Court may verify his detention record directly from the detention facility, which will confirm that he has complied with all institutional rules and requirements.

Petitioner had a bond hearing on 26th June 2026, In that Bond Hearing Immigration Judge Denied his bond request considering petitioner flight risk. On 29th June 2026 petitioner appealed that decision of bond denial in BIA which is still pending. However, Petitioner does not pose a flight risk because He has a stable address since his released with his legal guardian Manpreet Singh **United States** Citizen he is taking care of petitioner living and other expenses. In addition to that he never missed an ICE check in appointments nor his Immigration court hearings as a matter of fact he was re-detain on his regular ICE check in which was on 30th October 2026.

Petitioner has never received any **military, paramilitary or combat training,** and he had no history of violence or a criminal record since his released.

ATTACHMENT C

GROUND THREE

Petitioner challenges confinement causes harm that cannot later be undone or compensate monetary damages.

Continued detention is causing intimidate and irreparable harm to my physical health , mental health, educational future and overall well being. Since entering immigration custody, I have experienced over crowded detention condition, inadequate access to proper nutrition consistent dietary requirement and significant uncertainty regarding my future. During various trahsfer between detention facilitates, I experienced periods with insufficient food, inadequate living condition lead to skin infection and prolong confinement this conditions have significantly worsened by exciting anxiety and depression.

My mental health deteriorated substantially during detention. Prior to my re-detention, I was already suffering from severe emotional distress arising from an abusive parent. The uncertainty surrounding length of my detention has now become a major source of psychological suffering. every additional day of confinement causes harm that cannot later be undone or compensate monetary damages at such a young age.

Honorable Judge, I respectfully request that these monetary damages cannot compensate. The biggest loss is my education, health and overall well being.

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Gurdit Singh
[redacted]
California Immigration Processing Center
California City, California

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Respectfully,
Gurdit Singh

Gurdit Singh
SIGN

07/08/2026
DATE