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TO THE HONORABLE COURT:

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United States District Court

Southern District of California

I respectfully submit this Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus on behalf of:

Name: Pape Sow

Date of Birth: [redacted]

A-Number: [redacted]

Mr. Pape Sow is currently detained by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at the Otay Mesa Detention Center, San Diego, California.

In late October 2025 he was kidnapped, robbed of his vehicle, and left unconscious in Tijuana. After regaining consciousness and finding himself in Tijuana, Petitioner came back to the United States and continue seeking protection under asylum law. He was then detained on October 28, 2025, at the Otay Mesa Detention Center.

Mr. Sow remains in custody despite having an active and pending asylum application. He suffers from Type I diabetes and is not being provided with the necessary medical treatment or proper dietary accommodations required to manage this serious condition. The failure to provide adequate care endangers his health and well-being.

Mr. Sow has lived in the United States for three years and has consistently complied with all legal requirements governing his stay. Notwithstanding his compliance and pending asylum claim, he remains detained without adequate legal basis.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Honorable Court grant this Petition and order his immediate release from ICE custody while his immigration proceedings continue.

Pape Sow - [redacted]

Otay Mesa Detention Center, San Diego, California.

TO:

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)

Otay Mesa Detention Center

San Diego, California

RE: Pape Sow – A-Number [redacted]

Please find enclosed the following documents submitted on behalf of Mr. Pape Sow , who is currently detained at the Otay Mesa Detention Center, San Diego, California:

1. Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus – United States District Court, Southern District of California

2. Petition for Release from ICE Custody

We respectfully request prompt review and response to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Pape Sow - [redacted]

Otay Mesa Detention Center, San Diego, California.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This letter is submitted in support of the release of Mr. Pape Sow, currently detained by ICE at the Otay Mesa Detention Center, San Diego, California.

Mr. Sow was detained on October 28, 2025, and currently has a pending asylum application.

Additional favorable factors include:

- No findings have been made that Mr. Sow is a flight risk.
- No findings have been made that Mr. Sow is a danger to the community.

Based on the above, we respectfully request Mr. Sow release on recognizance or under a minimal bond while he tends to his medical needs and his immigration matters are resolved.

Pape Sow - [redacted]

Otay Mesa Detention Center, San Diego, California.