JUDGE LEON SCHYDLOWER

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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

AUG 27 2026

CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
BY _____ DEPUTY CLERK

Petitioner

v.

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

Case No. EP26CV2227 *(Supplied by Clerk of Court)*

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

Personal Information

1. (a) Your full name: Alejandro Soto Rangel
   (b) Other names you have used:
2. Place of confinement:
   (a) Name of institution: ERO EL PASO CAMP EAST MONTANA
   (b) Address: 6920 Digital Road El Paso TX 79936
   (c) Your identification number: N/A
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 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:

(b) Docket number, case number, or opinion number:
(c) Decision or action you are challenging *(for disciplinary proceedings, specify the penalties imposed)*:

(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 appeal: I have never seen a judge since i got here.

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: The remedy under U.S.C 2255 is inadequate or ineffective because I am not challenging my curreny federal criminal conviction or sentence. I am challenging my current ICE detention. On August 21 2026, ICE officers pulled me from a vehicle and detained me without showing me a judical warrant. Section 2255 does not provide a remedy for the immigration detention I am challenging.

11. **Appeals of immigration proceedings**

Does this case concern immigration proceedings?

☑ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," provide:

(a) Date you were taken into immigration custody: 08/21/2026

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

GROUND ONE: Unlawful Arrest and Detention

On August 21, 2026 ICE officers pulled me out of a vehicle and detained me. I was not shown a judicial warrant.

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 Do not cite cases or law.)*:

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

☑ Yes ☐ No

GROUND TWO: Continued Immigration Detention Without Adequate Due Process

I am being held in immigration custody and challenge wether my continued detention complies with my constitutional right to due process.

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 Do not cite cases or law.)*:

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

☑ Yes ☐ No

GROUND THREE: Personal Circumstances Relevant to My Detention

I was working and carrying carpets when I was stopped for driving without license and ICE detained me.

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

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

☑ Yes ☐ No

GROUND FOUR: Request for Review of the Legal Authority for My Detention

I came to the United States when I was approximately 13 years old. I ask the court to review wether ICE has lawfully authority to continue detaining me I had no warrent for arrest or deportation

(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: I respectfully ask the court to order my release me from ICE custody, or alternatively, order a prompt bond hearing where the government must justify my continued detention and grant me any other relief the court finds appropriate.

I Was transfer yesterday early morning at 5am to el paso texas with out able to see a judge i would like to get send back to Minnesota. Before I was transferred to El Paso, I was expecting to have an immigration hearing.

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: 8/26/26

Signature of Petitioner

Signature of Attorney or other authorized person, if any