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**U.S. District Court
District of New Jersey [LIVE] (Camden)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:26-cv-00612-CPO**

SALTO SALTO v. SOTO
Assigned to: Judge Christine P. O'Hearn
Cause: 28:2241 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (federa

Date Filed: 01/20/2026
Date Terminated: 01/23/2026
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 463 Habeas Corpus -
Alien Detainee
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
01/20/2026	1	PETITION for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Filing fee \$ 5 receipt number BNJDC-17010207.), filed by JOSE PAUL SALTO SALTO. (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Brief)(CURBELO, CAROLINA) (Entered: 01/20/2026)
01/21/2026		Case Assigned to Judge Christine P. O'Hearn. (mfr) (Entered: 01/21/2026)
01/21/2026	2	TEXT ORDER: The Court is in receipt of Petitioner's Writ of Habeas Corpus (ECF No. 1). In light of the Court's pending decision and to preserve the status quo, including Petitioner's continued access to counsel, during the potential briefing and hearing process, and pursuant to the All Writs Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1651, Petitioner shall remain in the State of New Jersey and shall not be transferred outside the State of New Jersey until further order of the Court.. So Ordered by Judge Christine P. O'Hearn on 1/21/26. (hem, nm) (Entered: 01/21/2026)
01/21/2026	3	EXPEDITED ORDER TO ANSWER. Respondents shall file and serve an expedited answer by 4:00 p.m. on January 22, 2026. The Court shall hold a hearing via Teams on January 23, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.. Signed by Judge Christine P. O'Hearn on 1/21/26. (hem, nm) (Entered: 01/21/2026)
01/21/2026	4	Substitution of Attorney - Attorney FRANCES C. BAJADA terminated. Attorney JESSICA LASERNA for PAM BONDI, JESSICA LASERNA for TODD LYONS, JESSICA LASERNA for KRISTI NOEM, JESSICA LASERNA for LUIS SOTO added.. (LASERNA, JESSICA) (Entered: 01/21/2026)
01/22/2026	5	RESPONSE to Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus by PAM BONDI, TODD LYONS, KRISTI NOEM, LUIS SOTO. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A - Answer, # 2 Exhibit B - 2026 Form I-213 unsigned, # 3 Exhibit C - Form I-200, # 4 Exhibit D - NTA, # 5 Exhibit E - Form I-296 Notice to Alien Ordered Removed, # 6 Exhibit F - Form I-860 Notice and Order of Expedited Removal, # 7 Exhibit G - 2023 Form I-213, # 8 Exhibit H - 2026 Form I-213 signed, # 9 Exhibit I - USCIS Notice of Dismissal of Form I-589, # 10 Exhibit J - Immigration Court Hearing Notice)(LASERNA, JESSICA) (Entered: 01/22/2026)
01/23/2026	6	ORDER granting Petitioner's 2241 Petition and directing Respondents to immediately release Petitioner under same conditions that existed prior to his re-detention; directing Respondents file a letter on the docket confirming date and time of Petitioner's release; permanently enjoining Respondents from rearresting or detaining Petitioner, etc. Signed by Judge Christine P. O'Hearn on January 23, 2026. (bf,)

		(Entered: 01/23/2026)
01/23/2026		***Civil Case Terminated. (bf,) (Entered: 01/23/2026)
01/23/2026	7	STATUS REPORT <i>Confirming Petitioner's Release</i> by PAM BONDI, TODD LYONS, KRISTI NOEM, LUIS SOTO. (LASERNA, JESSICA) (Entered: 01/23/2026)

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