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**U.S. District Court
Eastern District of New York (Central Islip)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:26-cv-01110-SJB**

Parada Cruz v. Noem et al
Assigned to: Judge Sanket J. Bulsara
Cause: 28:2241 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (federa

Date Filed: 02/26/2026
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 463 Habeas Corpus -
Alien Detainee
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/26/2026	1	PETITION for Writ of Habeas Corpus <i>and Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief</i> filing fee \$ 5, receipt number ANYEDC-19949123, filed by Erik Sigfredo Parada Cruz. Was the Disclosure Statement on Civil Cover Sheet completed -Yes,, (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A, IJ Order Granting Administrative Closure, # 2 Exhibit B, I-130 Receipt, # 3 Exhibit C, Certificate of Disposition, # 4 Civil Cover Sheet Civil Cover Sheet) (Kraidman, Johnathan) Modified on 2/26/2026 (SMF). (Entered: 02/26/2026)
02/26/2026	2	This attorney case opening filing has been checked for quality control. See the attachment for corrections that were made. (SMF) (Entered: 02/26/2026)
02/26/2026		Case Assigned to Judge Sanket J. Bulsara. Please download and review the Individual Practices of the assigned Judges, located on our website . Attorneys are responsible for providing courtesy copies to judges where their Individual Practices require such. (SMF) (Entered: 02/26/2026)
02/26/2026		Your proposed summons was not issued for one of the following reasons: No summons provided, please submit summons. The event can be found under the event Other Documents - Proposed Summons/Civil Cover Sheet., Please correct and resubmit using Proposed Summons/Civil Cover Sheet. (SMF) (Entered: 02/26/2026)
02/26/2026		ORDER: To preserve the Court's jurisdiction pending a ruling in this matter, Petitioner shall not be removed from the United States unless and until the Court orders otherwise. See, e.g., Loc. 1814, Int'l Longshoremen's Ass'n, AFL-CIO v. New York Shipping Ass'n, Inc., 965 F.2d 1224, 1237 (2d Cir. 1992) ("Once the district court acquires jurisdiction over the subject matter of, and the parties to, the litigation, the All Writs Act [28 U.S.C. § 1651] authorizes a federal court to protect that jurisdiction." (quotations omitted)); Garcia-Izquierdo v. Gartner, No. 04-CV-7377, 2004 WL 2093515, at *2 (S.D.N.Y. Sep. 17, 2004) (observing that, under the All Writs Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1651, a district court "may order that a petitioner's

		<p>deportation be stayed when a stay is necessary to preserve the Court's jurisdiction of the case"); <i>Khalil v. Joyce</i>, 771 F. Supp. 3d 268, 274 (S.D.N.Y. 2025) (barring the government from removing petitioner from the United States until the Court could address his claim); <i>cf. Michael v. I.N.S.</i>, 48 F.3d 657, 661-62 (2d Cir. 1995) (holding that the All Writs Act provides a federal court of appeals reviewing a final removal order with a basis to stay removal). And in addition, in light of Petitioner's interests in participating in further proceedings before this Court and in maintaining adequate access to legal counsel through these proceedings, it is further ORDERED that Petitioner shall not be transferred except to a facility within this District, the Eastern District of New York, or the Southern District of New York, absent further order of this Court. See <i>Ozturk v. Trump</i>, 779 F. Supp. 3d 462, 496 (D. Vt. 2025) (ordering petitioner's transfer from Louisiana to Vermont due, in part, to her pending habeas petition), <i>stay and mandamus denied</i>, <i>Ozturk v. Hyde</i>, 136 F.4th 382, 403 (2d Cir. 2025).</p> <p>Respondents must inform the Court of Petitioner's current location, and must include information about any other locations where Petitioner has been held and the dates of any transfers since his initial detention, by February 27, 2026 at 12:00 P.M. Respondents must also file a response to the writ—including any legal or factual arguments why the writ should not be granted—by February 27, 2026 at 12:00 P.M.</p> <p>The clerk's office is directed to remove the restriction within this matter. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 2/26/2026. (RB) (Entered: 02/26/2026)</p>
02/26/2026	3	Proposed Summons. Re Quality Control Check - Summons, by Erik Sigfredo Parada Cruz (Kraidman, Johnathan) (Entered: 02/26/2026)
02/26/2026	4	NOTICE of Appearance by Mary M. Dickman on behalf of Pamela Bondi, William Joyce, Kristi Noem (aty to be noticed) (Dickman, Mary) (Entered: 02/26/2026)
02/27/2026		<p>Your proposed summons was not issued for one of the following reasons: The full case caption, including any party text, must appear on the summons.</p> <p>Please correct and resubmit using Proposed Summons/Civil Cover Sheet. (NF) (Entered: 02/27/2026)</p>
02/27/2026	5	RESPONSE TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE by Pamela Bondi, William Joyce, Kristi Noem (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Deportation Officer Kareem Biggs, # 2 Exhibit Exhibits A - C to Biggs Declaration) (Dickman, Mary) (Entered: 02/27/2026)
02/27/2026	6	RESPONSE TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE by Erik Sigfredo Parada Cruz (Kraidman, Johnathan) (Entered: 02/27/2026)
02/27/2026	7	ORDER: As explained in the attached, the writ is provisionally granted. Respondents are directed to effectuate Petitioner's release by February 27, 2026 at 8:00 P.M. and file a letter on the docket confirming Petitioner's release by that time. Respondents are enjoined from detaining Petitioner absent further direction from this Court. Respondents may not use ICE ankle monitors or similar technology to monitor Petitioner, because the Court has granted the writ, and is not resolving this petition on an intermediate basis by imposing bail conditions.

		Because the Court has serious concerns about the legal basis to detain Petitioner in the first instance, including the discrepancies identified herein and the continued use of after-the-fact arrest warrants, the Court will hold a hearing in this case on March 5, 2026 at 11:00 A.M. in Courtroom 930 of the Central Islip Courthouse . Petitioner is not required to attend; Petitioner's counsel must attend. Counsel for the Government must attend, along with the following ICE officers, who should be prepared to testify under oath: Kareem Biggs, and the two officers who signed the document provided at Exhibit C. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 2/27/2026. (RB) (Entered: 02/27/2026)
02/27/2026	8	Letter <i>Confirming Petitioner's Release From ICE Custody</i> by Pamela Bondi, William Joyce, Kristi Noem (Dickman, Mary) (Entered: 02/27/2026)
03/02/2026	9	Consent MOTION to Adjourn Conference <i>Hearing Scheduled to Be Conducted on March 5, 2026, at 11 a.m.</i> , by Pamela Bondi, William Joyce, Kristi Noem. (Dickman, Mary) (Entered: 03/02/2026)
03/03/2026		ORDER: The motion to adjourn 9 is granted. The in-person hearing scheduled for 3/05/2026 is adjourned to 4/06/2026 at 11:00 A.M. in Courtroom 930 of the Central Islip Courthouse . So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 3/3/2026. (RB) (Entered: 03/03/2026)
03/06/2026	10	NOTICE of Appearance by Pallvi Babbar on behalf of Erik Sigfredo Parada Cruz (aty to be noticed) (Babbar, Pallvi) (Entered: 03/06/2026)
03/17/2026	11	Letter <i>for virtual appearance or adjournment of conference</i> by Erik Sigfredo Parada Cruz (Babbar, Pallvi) (Entered: 03/17/2026)
03/18/2026		ORDER: The request to adjourn 11 is granted. The in-person hearing scheduled for 4/06/2026 is adjourned to 4/13/2026 at 2:00 P.M. in Courtroom 930 of the Central Islip Courthouse . So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 3/18/2026. (RB) (Entered: 03/18/2026)
04/08/2026	12	MOTION to Dismiss for Lack of Jurisdiction , MOTION to Adjourn Conference <i>Cancel Hearing</i> by Pamela Bondi, William Joyce, Kristi Noem. (Dickman, Mary) (Entered: 04/08/2026)
04/09/2026		ORDER: The request for adjournment and dismissal 12 is denied. The hearing scheduled for April 13, 2026 at 2:00 P.M. will proceed as originally scheduled. The hearing will focus on the arguments raised in Respondents' April 8, 2026 letter. As such, for now, until further order of the Court, neither side is required to present witnesses. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 4/9/2026. (RB) (Entered: 04/09/2026)
04/10/2026		ORDER: The April 13, 2026 hearing is adjourned to April 15, 2026 at 2:00 P.M. and will be held contemporaneously with the hearing in Case No. 26-CV-1122, in which the Respondents have filed a substantially similar letter as in this case. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 4/10/2026. (RB) (Entered: 04/10/2026)
04/10/2026	13	MOTION to Withdraw as Attorney by Erik Sigfredo Parada Cruz. (Kraidman, Johnathan) (Entered: 04/10/2026)
04/12/2026		ORDER: The motion to withdraw 13 is granted. Attorney Johnathan Kraidman is removed from the docket. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 4/12/2026. (RB) (Entered: 04/12/2026)

04/14/2026		ORDER: Upon further review of the papers submitted on behalf of Respondents, the Court concludes that further argument on these issues is not necessary. The Court has concluded that it both has jurisdiction to hold an evidentiary hearing and that this case is not moot. The Court will be, in short order, issuing an opinion detailing the reasons for its conclusion. The evidentiary hearing will be held on April 30, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. Details about the format and who is required to attend will be in the forthcoming order. The hearing currently scheduled for April 15, 2026 at 2:00 P.M. is adjourned. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 4/14/2026. (RB) (Entered: 04/14/2026)
04/16/2026	14	ORDER: As explained in the attached, which reflects the reasoning for the Court's decision on April 14, 2026, the Court will hold an evidentiary hearing on April 30, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. The following ICE officers must be present to testify: Kareem Biggs, the two officers who signed the February 26, 2026 arrest warrant for Parada Cruz provided with Respondents' submission, Geraldo Paoli, and the officers identified as "J 4879 John - (A) SDDO" and "J 10425 Chacon" on the NTA for Benitez provided with Respondents' submission. Petitioners' counsel should be prepared to lead the questioning of these witnesses, followed by cross-examination by Respondents' counsel. Agency counsel for ICE is also directed to appear. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 4/16/2026. (RB) (Entered: 04/16/2026)
04/27/2026	15	Consent MOTION to Adjourn Conference , <i>Hearing Scheduled To Be Conducted on April 30, 2026</i> , by Pamela Bondi, William Joyce, Kristi Noem. (Dickman, Mary) (Entered: 04/27/2026)
04/29/2026		ORDER: The motion to adjourn 15 is granted. The in-person hearing scheduled for 4/30/2026 is adjourned to 5/27/2026 at 9:30 A.M. in Courtroom 930 of the Central Islip Courthouse . Should testimony and hearings be required beyond this initial date, the hearing will continue on 6/16/2026 at 2:00 P.M. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 4/29/2026. (RB) (Entered: 04/29/2026)
05/12/2026		ORDER: The Court inadvertently stated in its April 16, 2026 Order 14 that Petitioner's counsel would lead questioning of the witnesses at the upcoming hearing, followed by cross-examination by Respondents' counsel. Because of the posture of these proceedings, Respondents' counsel will conduct direct examination of the witnesses, followed by any cross-examination by Petitioner's counsel. If necessary, the Court will conduct additional questioning for clarification or elucidation of relevant issues. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 5/12/2026. (RB) (Entered: 05/12/2026)
05/27/2026		MINUTE ENTRY: An in-person evidentiary hearing was held on 5/27/2026 before Judge Sanket J. Bulsara. Counsel for Petitioner (Pallvi Babbar) and counsel for Respondents (Mary M. Dickman and Diane C. Leonardo) were present and testimony was presented. As discussed on the record, Respondents may file a letter by 6/26/2026 regarding any potential corrections or updates to their responses in previously filed immigration habeas petitions before the undersigned. Because of the significant overlap in legal issues, the Court will await further proceedings in <i>Benitez v. U.S. Department of Homeland Security</i> (Case No. 26-CV-2082) before setting a schedule for further briefing on any ultimate injunctive relief or closure of this case. So Ordered by Judge Sanket J. Bulsara on 5/27/2026. (Court Reporter Denise Parisi.) (RB) (Entered: 05/27/2026)

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