

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES -- GENERAL

Case No. **CV 25-3205-JFW(BFM)**

Date: December 16, 2025

Title: Garo Vartanyan -v- Kristi Noem, et al.

PRESENT: HONORABLE JOHN F. WALTER, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
Shannon Reilly **None Present**
Courtroom Deputy **Court Reporter**

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR PLAINTIFFS:
None

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR DEFENDANTS:
None

PROCEEDINGS (IN CHAMBERS): **ORDER REGARDING PETITIONER'S *EX PARTE* APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER; AND REQUEST FOR AN ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE OF WHY A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED [filed 12/14/25 No. 5]**

On December 14, 2025, Petitioner Garo Vartanyan ("Petitioner") filed an *Ex Parte* Application for Temporary Restraining Order; and Request for an Order to Show Cause of why a Preliminary Injunction Should Not be Granted ("Application"). In his Application, Petitioner seeks an Order from this Court: (1) ordering that he be released unless and until he receives adequate notice and a hearing to determine the legality of his re-detention; and (2) ordering that if Petitioner is to be removed to a third country, that he be informed of ICE's intention to do so and that he receive an individualized opportunity to challenge removal through a reasonable fear interview.

Respondents are ordered to file an Opposition to Petitioner's Application on or before December 18, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. The hearing on Petitioner's Motion is scheduled for December 29, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

In addition, in light of the serious questions going to the merits and the likelihood of irreparable harm raised by Petitioner in his Petition and his Application, the Court orders that Respondents and all of their officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and persons acting on their behalf in concert or in participation with them are immediately **ENJOINED** from removing or deporting Petitioner from the United States of America to Azerbaijan or any third country in the world until the Court issues a ruling on Petitioner's Application.

IT IS SO ORDERED.