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U.S. District Court
U.S. District of Minnesota (DMN)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 0:26-cv-00106-NEB-ECW

Mejia-Medina v. Easterwood et al
Assigned to: Judge Nancy E. Brasel
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Elizabeth Cowan Wright
Cause: 8:1105(a) Aliens: Habeas Corpus to Release INS Det

Date Filed: 01/08/2026
Date Terminated: 01/30/2026
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 463 Habeas Corpus -
Alien Detainee
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
01/08/2026	1	PETITION for Writ of Habeas Corpus (filing fee \$ 5, receipt number AMNDC-12509383) filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. No summons requested. (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet) (Albanese, John) (Entered: 01/08/2026)
01/08/2026	2	(Text-Only) CLERK'S NOTICE OF INITIAL CASE ASSIGNMENT. Case assigned to Judge Nancy E. Brasel per Civil (3rd, 4th - Prisoner) list, referred to Magistrate Judge Elizabeth Cowan Wright. Please use case number 26-cv-106 (NEB/ECW). <u>Notice: All Nongovernmental Corporate Parties must file a Rule 7.1 Corporate Disclosure Statement.</u> (ABR) (Entered: 01/08/2026)
01/09/2026	3	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE re 1 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. Show Cause Response due by 1/15/2026. Signed by Judge Nancy E. Brasel on 1/9/2026.(GRR) (Entered: 01/09/2026)
01/13/2026	4	REQUEST <i>For Extension of Time to Respond to Petition</i> by David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order)(Repp, Liles) (Entered: 01/13/2026)
01/14/2026	5	RESPONSE re 4 Request (non-motion) <i>Opposition to Request for Extension of Time</i> filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. (Attachments: # 1 LR7.1/LR72.2 Word Count Compliance Certificate)(Drake, E) (Entered: 01/14/2026)
01/14/2026	6	(Text-Only) The Court has considered the Request for Extension of Time 4 and

		Petitioner's Objection 5 . The Federal Respondents' Response is now due on January 14, 2026. Ordered by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth Cowan Wright on 1/14/2026. (MDS) (Entered: 01/14/2026)
01/14/2026	7	RESPONSE by David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement re 1 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus . (Repp, Liles) (Entered: 01/14/2026)
01/14/2026	8	DECLARATION of Angela Minner re 7 Response by David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement . (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit(s) A, # 2 Exhibit(s) B, # 3 Exhibit(s) C)(Repp, Liles) (Entered: 01/14/2026)
01/15/2026	9	REPLY re 3 Order to Show Cause filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. (Attachments: # 1 LR7.1/LR72.2 Word Count Compliance Certificate)(Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 01/15/2026)
01/15/2026	10	ORDER. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: 1. Marlon M.M.'s Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (ECF No. 1) is GRANTED. 2. Respondents must release Marlon M.M. from custody immediately in Minnesota, subject to the conditions of his January 18, 2022 Order of Release on Recognizance. 3. Respondents must, within five days, provide the Court with a status update concerning Marlon M.M.'s release. LET JUDGMENT BE ENTERED ACCORDINGLY. Signed by Judge Nancy E. Brasel on 1/15/2026.(RMM) (Entered: 01/15/2026)
01/17/2026	11	JUDGMENT (Attachments: # 1 Civil Notice - appeal)(ACH) (Entered: 01/17/2026)
01/20/2026	12	STATUS REPORT by David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. (Repp, Liles) (Entered: 01/20/2026)
01/20/2026	13	DECLARATION of Christopher Campbell re 12 Status Report by David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement . (Repp, Liles) (Entered: 01/20/2026)
01/21/2026	14	MOTION for Contempt (<i>Expedited</i>) filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. (Attachments: # 1 Meet and Confer Statement, # 2 Notice of Hearing, # 3 Proposed Order)(Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 01/21/2026)
01/21/2026	15	NOTICE by David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement of <i>Release</i> (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit(s) A)(Repp, Liles) (Entered: 01/21/2026)
01/28/2026	16	(Text-Only) ORDER/NOTICE TO ATTORNEY. It is hereby ordered that Marlon M.M.'s Motion for Finding of Civil Contempt (ECF No. 14) is DENIED AS MOOT. Ordered by Judge Nancy E. Brasel on 1/28/2026.(AEW) Modified text on 1/28/2026 (ACH). (Entered: 01/28/2026)
02/13/2026	17	NOTICE of Appearance by David R. Hackworthy on behalf of David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. (Hackworthy, David) (Entered: 02/13/2026)
02/13/2026	18	MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. (Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 02/13/2026)

02/13/2026	19	NOTICE OF HEARING ON MOTION 18 MOTION for Attorney Fees : Date and time to be determined. (Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 02/13/2026)
02/13/2026	20	MEET and CONFER STATEMENT re 18 Motion for Attorney Fees filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina.(Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 02/13/2026)
02/13/2026	21	MEMORANDUM in Support re 18 MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. (Attachments: # 1 LR7.1/LR72.2 Word Count Compliance Certificate)(Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 02/13/2026)
02/13/2026	22	Declaration of Jordan C. Hughes in Support of 18 MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit(s) A)(Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 02/13/2026)
02/13/2026	23	PROPOSED ORDER TO JUDGE re 18 MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina.(Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 02/13/2026)
02/17/2026	24	(Text-Only) ORDER. The Court will handle the motion for attorneys' fees (ECF No. 18) on the paper submissions. Respondents' response to the pending motion is due on or before 2/27/26. Ordered by Judge Nancy E. Brasel on 2/17/2026. (KMW) (Entered: 02/17/2026)
02/27/2026	25	OBJECTION re 18 MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.(Hackworthy, David) (Entered: 02/27/2026)
02/28/2026	26	NOTICE of Appearance by David R. Hackworthy on behalf of David Easterwood, Todd M. Lyons, Kristi Noem, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. (Hackworthy, David) (Entered: 02/28/2026)
03/01/2026	27	Reply to Response to Motion re 18 MOTION for Attorney Fees filed by Marlon Jose Mejia-Medina. (Attachments: # 1 LR7.1/LR72.2 Word Count Compliance Certificate)(Hughes, Jordan) (Entered: 03/01/2026)
04/22/2026	28	(Text-Only) ORDER. Petitioner's counsel is directed to contact chambers and Respondents' counsel and state whether the issue of recovering Petitioner's personal property that was confiscated during his arrest on January 7, 2026 remains ongoing. Ordered by Judge Nancy E. Brasel on 4/22/2026. (KMW) (Entered: 04/22/2026)
05/05/2026	29	ORDER ON PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES. Based on the foregoing and on all the files, records, and proceedings herein, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: Marlon M.M.'s Motion for Attorneys' Fees (ECF No. 18) is GRANTED. Marlon M.M. is AWARDED reasonable attorneys' fees of \$5,457.41, as authorized by 28 U.S.C. Section 2412(d). Signed by Judge Nancy E. Brasel on 5/5/2026. (KMW) (Entered: 05/05/2026)

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