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**U.S. District Court  
DISTRICT OF ARIZONA (Phoenix Division)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:26-cv-02399-KML--DMF**

Saenz-Perez v. Rokosky et al  
Assigned to: Judge Krissa M Lanham  
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Deborah M Fine (PS)  
Cause: 28:2241 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Federal)

Date Filed: 04/08/2026  
Date Terminated: 04/21/2026  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 463 Prisoner: Alien  
Detainee - Habeas Corpus  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Petitioner**

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**Respondent**

**Eric Rokosky**  
*Warden, Eloy Detention Center*

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**Respondent**

**Christopher McGregor**  
*Acting Phoenix Field Office Director,  
U.S. Immigration and Customs  
Enforcement*

represented by **Tracy Riley**  
(See above for address)  
**LEAD ATTORNEY**  
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**Respondent**

**Todd Blanche**  
Acting U.S. Attorney General

represented by **Tracy Riley**  
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**LEAD ATTORNEY**  
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**Respondent**

**Markwayne Mullin**  
Secretary of Homeland Security

represented by **Tracy Riley**  
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**LEAD ATTORNEY**  
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<b>Date Filed</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Docket Text</b>
04/08/2026	<a href="#">1</a>	PETITION for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Fed/2241). Filing fee received: \$5.00, receipt number AAZDC-25453999 filed by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez. (submitted by Keith Hilzendeger) (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Civil Cover Sheet)(REK) (Entered: 04/08/2026)
04/08/2026	<a href="#">2</a>	MOTION to Appoint Counsel by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez. (submitted by Keith Hilzendeger) (REK) (Entered: 04/08/2026)
04/08/2026	<a href="#">3</a>	MOTION for Limited Discovery by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez. (submitted by Keith Hilzendeger) (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Proposed Order)(REK) (Entered: 04/08/2026)
04/08/2026	<a href="#">4</a>	Sealed Financial Affidavit by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez. (submitted by Keith Hilzendeger) (REK) (Entered: 04/08/2026)
04/08/2026	<a href="#">5</a>	SUMMONS Submitted by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez. (submitted by Keith Hilzendeger) (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Summons, # <a href="#">2</a> Summons, # <a href="#">3</a> Summons, # <a href="#">4</a> Summons)(REK) (Entered: 04/08/2026)
04/08/2026	<a href="#">6</a>	NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Instructions) (REK) (Entered: 04/08/2026)
04/10/2026	<a href="#">7</a>	ORDER - Petitioner's Motion for Appointment of Counsel (Doc. <a href="#">2</a> ) is granted. Assistant Federal Public Defender Keith J. Hilzendeger is appointed to represent Petitioner in this action and the Clerk must enter the appearance of Assistant Federal Public Defender Hilzendeger. Petitioner's Motion for Limited Discovery (Doc. <a href="#">3</a> ) is granted subject to Respondents' objections. Any disputes regarding discovery must be filed no later than 4/17/26. Counsel for Petitioner must immediately serve the Petition (Doc. <a href="#">1</a> ) and a copy of this Order on Respondents. The Clerk must issue any properly completed summonses. The Clerk must immediately transmit by email a copy of this Order and the Petition to AUSA Melissa Kroeger, Lon Leavitt, Theo Nickerson, Dina Anagnopoulos, and Mary Finlon. Respondents must show cause no later than 4/17/26, why the Petition should not be granted. Petitioner may file a reply no later than 4/21/26. Signed by Judge Krissa M Lanham on 4/10/26. (DXD) (Entered: 04/10/2026)
04/10/2026	<a href="#">8</a>	Summons Issued as to Todd Blanche, Christopher McGregor, Markwayne Mullin, Eric Rokosky, and U.S. Attorney. (DXD) (Entered: 04/10/2026)
04/14/2026	<a href="#">9</a>	SERVICE EXECUTED filed by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez: Proof of Service re:

		Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 and Accompanying Documents upon Eric Rokosky on 4/14/2026. (Hilzendeger, Keith) (Entered: 04/14/2026)
04/17/2026	<a href="#">10</a>	RESPONSE to <a href="#">1</a> Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Fed/2241) by Todd Blanche, Christopher McGregor, Markwayne Mullin, Eric Rokosky.(Riley, Tracy) (Entered: 04/17/2026)
04/21/2026	<a href="#">11</a>	REPLY TO <a href="#">10</a> RESPONSE to Habeas Petition (Fed/2241) filed by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez. (Hilzendeger, Keith) (Entered: 04/21/2026)
04/21/2026	<a href="#">12</a>	ORDER - Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Doc. 1) is granted. Respondents must immediately release Petitioner from custody under the same conditions that existed before her redetention. Respondents must provide a notice of compliance within 2 business days of Petitioner's release. Any pending motions are denied as moot and the Clerk shall enter judgment in Petitioner's favor and close this case. Signed by Judge Krissa M Lanham on 4/21/26. (DXD) (Entered: 04/21/2026)
04/21/2026	<a href="#">13</a>	CLERK'S JUDGMENT - Pursuant to the Court's Order filed April 21, 2026, Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241 is granted in Petitioner's favor and this action is hereby dismissed. (DXD) (Entered: 04/21/2026)
04/23/2026	<a href="#">14</a>	SERVICE EXECUTED filed by Carlos Jesus Saenz-Perez: Certified Mail Receipt for Christopher McGregor. (Hilzendeger, Keith) (Entered: 04/23/2026)
04/23/2026	<a href="#">15</a>	NOTICE re: Compliance by Todd Blanche, Christopher McGregor, Markwayne Mullin, Eric Rokosky re: <a href="#">12</a> Order, . (Riley, Tracy) (Entered: 04/23/2026)

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