

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF  
NEW YORK**

**Jose Timoteo Leon Galdamez v. Kenneth Genalo, et al.**

No. 1:26-cv-1170-GHW, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (February 12, 2026)

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**OPINION**

Genalo

PER CURIAM.

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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----- X JOSE TIMOTEO LEON GALDAMEZ, :  
Petitioner, : 1:26-cv-1170-GHW -v- : ORDER KENNETH GENALO, et al., : Respondents. : -----

----- X GREGORY H. WOODS, United States  
District Judge: Petitioner has filed a Petition for the writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2241. The Court, having examined the Petition, and upon consideration of Petitioner's Application for Issuance of an Order to hereby ORDERS that:

(1) Within two business days of the date of this Order, Respondents shall file a letter with the following information: a. whether Petitioner was, as the Petition alleges, see Dkt. No. 1, ¶ 11, located in the Southern District of New York at the time that the Petition was filed and, if not, what District Petitioner was in at the time of filing and whether the Petition should be immediately transferred to that District, see, e.g., *Öztürk v. Hyde*, 136 F.4th 382, 391–92 (2d Cir. 2025); *Khalil v. Joyce*, 771 F. Supp. 3d 268 (S.D.N.Y. 2025); b. Petitioner's A-number, current place of detention, and a contact person who can facilitate prospective counsel's access to Petitioner; c. the statutory provision(s) under which Respondents assert the authority to detain Petitioner; d. a copy of any final order of removal; and e. any information regarding the procedural posture of any pending Department of Homeland Security or Executive Office for Immigration Review proceedings.

(2) Unless and until the Court orders otherwise, Respondents shall file a return on the Petition within five business days of the date of this Order; and

(3) Unless and until the Court orders otherwise, Petitioner shall file any reply within ten business days of the date of this Order.

**CONCLUSION**

The Clerk of Court shall electronically notify the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York of this Order. Within two business days of the date of this

Order, Respondents shall file a letter with the Court with the information described in this order. Respondents shall file a return on the Order to Show Cause within five business days of the date of this Order. Petitioner shall file any reply within ten business days of the date of this Order. SO ORDERED. Dated: February 12, 2026 New York, New York United States District Judge

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