

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA**

Mohadjer v. Wolf

Mohadjer v. Wolf · No. 3:25-cv-02409-CAB-AHG · Decided October 10, 2025

OPINION

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA 10 11 PAJMAN MOHADJER, Case No.: 3:25-cv-02409-CAB-AHG 12 Petitioner,
ORDER DISMISSING PETITION 13 v. FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS 14 LOGAN WOLF,
Assistant Director of the Otay Mesa Field Office, U.S [Doc. No. 1] 15 Immigration Customs
Enforcement; 16 TODD M. LYONS, Acting Director 17 U.S Immigration Customs Enforcement;
KRISTI NOEM, 18 Secretary of the U.S Department of 19 Homeland Security; and PAMELA 20
BONDI, Attorney General of the United States.

21 Respondents. 22 23 Pending before the Court is Pajman Mohadjer’s petition for a writ of
habeas corpus 24 under 28 U.S.C. § 2241. [Doc. No. 1.]1 Mr. Mohadjer is an Iranian national who
has been 25 held in detention at the Otay Mesa Regional Detention Center since November 4,
2024. 26 27 1 Document numbers and page references are to those assigned by CM/ECF for the
docket 28 1 ||[Doc.

No. 4 at 2.] Respondents filed an Opposition. [Doc. No. 4]. For the following 2 |}reasons, Mr.
Mohadjer’s petition for a writ of habeas corpus is DISMISSED WITH 3 || LEAVE TO AMEND. 4
Having reviewed Mr. Mohadjer’s petition, the Court finds that it is deficient because 5 ||the proper
respondent for the petition is the warden of the Otay Mesa Regional Detention 6 || Facility.

Habeas petitioners “challenging their present physical confinement [must] name 7 ||their
immediate custodian, the warden of the facility where they are detained, as the 8 ||respondent to
their petition.” Doe v. Garland, 109 F.4th 1188, 1197 (9th Cir. 2024).

The 9 || Court cannot exercise jurisdiction over Mr. Mohadjer’s petition so long as he fails to name
10 || as respondent the warden of the detention facility where he is being detained. 11 Accordingly,
the Court DISMISSES Mr. Mohadjer’s petition WITH LEAVE TO 12 || AMEND to include the
warden of the Otay Mesa Regional Detention Center as a 13 |}respondent. Plaintiff shall have
thirty (30) days from the date of this order to refile an 14 ||amended petition for a writ of habeas
corpus.

15 IT IS SO ORDERED. 16 17 || Dated: October 10, 2025 18 Hon. Cathy Ann Bencivengo 19
United States District Judge 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

