

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF
LOUISIANA, LAKE CHARLES DIVISION

**Abraham Salomon Rodriguez v. Judge James D. Cain, Jr. and Felipe
Martinez Jr.**

Rodriguez · No. 2:24-CV-00535 · Decided April 29, 2026

SUMMARY

The court dismissed Abraham Salomon Rodriguez’s 28 U.S.C. § 2241 petition without prejudice for lack of subject-matter jurisdiction. Because Rodriguez was released from Bureau of Prisons custody, the court determined that his challenge to sentence computation and request for speedier release were moot.

OPINION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA LAKE CHARLES DIVISION ABRAHAM SALOMON RODRIGUEZ CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:24-CV-00535 SEC P #42887-279 VERSUS JUDGE JAMES D. CAIN, JR. FELIPE MARTINEZ JR MAGISTRATE JUDGE LEBLANC MEMORANDUM ORDER Pro se Petitioner Abraham Salomon Rodriguez (“Rodriguez”) filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2241.

At the time of filing, Rodriguez was imprisoned at the Federal Correctional Institution in Oakdale, Louisiana. He challenged the computation of his sentence and sought a speedier release from custody. According to the Bureau of Prisons (“BOP”), Rodriguez was released on March 12, 2025.¹ Article III of the Constitution limits the judicial power of the United States to the resolution of “Cases” and “Controversies.” *Hein v. Freedom From Religion Found., Inc.*, 551 U.S. 587, 597 (2007) (quoting *DaimlerChrysler Corp. v. Cuno*, 547 U.S. 332, 342 (2006) (internal quotations and citations omitted)).

A case becomes moot “when the issues presented are no longer ‘live’ or the parties lack a legally cognizable interest in the outcome.” *United States Parole Comm’n v. Geraghty*, 445 U.S. 388, 396 (1980) (quoting *Powell v. McCormack*, 395 U.S. 486, 496 (1969)). ¹ <https://www.bop.gov/inmateloc/> The case-or-controversy requirement “subsists through all stages of federal judicial proceedings, trial and appellate.” *Spencer v. Kemna*, 523 U.S. 1, 7 (1998) (citations omitted).

The parties must continue to have a “personal stake in the outcome” of the lawsuit. *Jd.* Therefore, throughout the litigation, the petitioner “must have suffered, or be threatened with, an actual injury

traceable to the defendant and likely to be redressed by a favorable judicial decision.” Jd.

Because Rodriguez was released from BOP custody, his § 2241 claim is moot. The Court can no longer grant the relief requested. If a controversy is moot, the court lacks subject matter jurisdiction. Carr v. Saucier, 582 F.2d 14, 16 (Sth Cir. 1978) (citing North Carolina v. Rice, 404 U.S. 244, 246 (1971); Locke v. Board of Public Instruction, 499 F.2d 359, 363-364 (Sth Cir.

1974)). Therefore, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that the Petition is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE for lack of jurisdiction. THUS DONE AND SIGNED in Chambers this 29th day of April, 2026. UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE