

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF
GEORGIA, COLUMBUS DIVISION**

A.M.G.F. v. Warden, Stewart Detention Center, et al.

No. 4:26-cv-21-CDL-ALS (M.D. Ga. Jan. 20, 2026) · No. 4:26-cv-21-CDL-ALS · Decided January 20, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Middle District of Georgia granted habeas relief to the extent that Respondents must provide the petitioner, an immigration detainee, with a bond hearing. The court held that the petitioner was detained under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a), rather than mandatory detention provisions of 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(2), and therefore could be considered for release on bond.

OPINION

STREEVAL

PER CURIAM.

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
COLUMBUS DIVISION**

**A.M.G.F., : Petitioner, : v. : Case No. 4:26-cv-21-CDL-ALS
: 28 U.S.C. § 2241**

Warden, STEWART DETENTION : CENTER, et al., : Respondents. :

ORDER

Petitioner is a detainee at the Stewart Detention Center awaiting removal proceedings. Petitioner seeks habeas corpus relief based on Respondents' refusal to provide Petitioner with a bond hearing and the opportunity for pre-removal release while the removal proceedings are pending. Respondents contend that Petitioner's detention is mandatory under 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(1) and/or 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(2). The Court reviewed Petitioner's application. The Court finds that Petitioner is currently detained under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a) and therefore not subject to mandatory detention as required by 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(2). See *J.A.M. v. Streeval*, No. 4:25-CV-342- CDL, 2025 WL 3050094 (M.D. Ga. Nov. 1, 2025); *P.R.S. v. Streeval*, No. 4:25-CV-330- CDL, 2025 WL 3269947 (M.D. Ga. Nov. 24, 2025). Accordingly, Petitioner's application for habeas corpus relief is granted to the extent that Respondents shall provide Petitioner with a bond hearing to determine if the Petitioner may be released on bond under § 1226(a)(2) and the applicable regulations. See 8 C.F.R. §§ 236.1 & 1236.1.1 IT IS SO ORDERED, this 20th day of January, 2026. s/Clay D. Land
CLAY D. LAND

U.S. DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

1 The brevity of this order is appropriate given that the issue presented is exactly the same as the issue previously decided on numerous occasions by the Court and yet Respondents insist upon denying the relief that the Court has found is required.

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