

United States Department of Justice
Executive Office for Immigration Review
Immigration Court - Boston

In the Matter of: _____ File No: A - _____

In Removal Proceedings

RESPONDENT'S WRITTEN PLEADING

On behalf of my client, I make the following representations:

1. The respondent concedes proper service of the Notice to Appear, dated _____.
2. I have explained to the respondent (through an interpreter, if necessary):
 - a. the rights set forth in 8 C.F.R. § 1240.10(a);
 - b. the consequences of failing to appear in court as set forth in INA § 240(b)(5);
 - c. the limitation on discretionary relief for failure to appear set forth in INA § 240(b)(7);
 - d. the consequences of knowingly filing or making a frivolous application as set forth in INA § 208(d)(6);
 - e. the requirement to notify the court within five days of any change of address or telephone number, using Form EOIR-33/IC pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 1003.15(d).
3. The respondent concedes the following allegation(s) _____, and denies the following allegation(s) _____.
4. The respondent concedes the following charge(s) of removability _____, and denies the following charge(s) of removability _____.
5. In the event of removal, the respondent:
 - names _____ as the country to which removal should be directed:
 - OR
 - declines to designate a country of removal.
6. The respondent will be applying for the following forms of relief from removal:
 - Termination of Proceedings
 - Asylum
 - Withholding of Removal (Restriction on Removal)
 - Adjustment of Status
 - Cancellation of Removal pursuant to INA § _____
 - Waiver of Inadmissibility pursuant to INA § _____
 - Voluntary Departure
 - Other (specify) _____
 - None
7. If the relief from removal requires an application, the respondent will file the application (other than asylum), no later than **fifteen (15) days** before the date of the individual calendar hearing, unless otherwise directed by the court. The respondent acknowledges that, if the application(s) are not timely filed, the application(s) will be deemed waived and abandoned under 8 C.F.R. § 1003.31(c).

If the respondent is filing a defensive asylum application, the asylum application will be filed in open court at the next master calendar hearing.
8. If background and security investigations are required, the respondent has received DHS biometrics instructions and will timely comply with the instructions. I have explained the instructions to the respondent (through an interpreter, if necessary). In addition, I have explained to the respondent (through an interpreter if necessary), that, under 8 C.F.R. § 1003.47(d), failure to provide biometrics or other biographical information within the time allowed will constitute abandonment of the application unless the respondent demonstrates that such failure was the result of good cause.
9. The respondent estimates that _____ hours will be required for the respondent to present the case.