UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

DANIEL RAMIREZ MEDINA,

v.

NO. C17-218-RSM-JPD

Petitioner,

ORDER DIRECTING SERVICE, SETTING STATUS CONFERENCE, AND SETTING BRIEFING

SCHEDULE

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, et al.,

Respondents.

Petitioner, who is proceeding through counsel, has filed a 28 U.S.C. § 2241

immigration habeas petition against the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"); John

Kelly, the Secretary of DHS; and Nathalie Asher, the Director of the Seattle Field Office of

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE"). Having reviewed the petition, the Court

finds and ORDERS:

(1) <u>Proper respondent</u>

Generally, the proper respondent in a habeas action is the warden of the facility where the petitioner is detained. *See Rumsfeld v. Padilla*, 542 U.S. 426, 435 (2004); *Garcia-Consuegra v. Asher*, No. C14-1366-RAJ, Dkt. 16 (W.D. Wash. Dec. 2, 2014). To ensure the merits of this case can be resolved as expeditiously as possible, the Court adds the Warden of

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the Northwest Detention Center as a respondent in this action. The Clerk shall update the

docket accordingly.

(2) Service

If not previously accomplished, electronic posting of this Order and petitioner's § 2241 habeas petition shall effect service upon the United States Attorney of the petition and all supporting documents. Service upon the United States Attorney is deemed to be service upon DHS, the Secretary of DHS, the ICE Seattle Field Office Director, and the Warden of the Northwest Detention Center.

(3) Status conference

The Court will hold a status conference at **10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 17, 2017**, in Courtroom 12A at the U.S. District Courthouse in Seattle, Washington. By **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2017**, the parties shall call Courtroom Deputy Agalelei Elkington at (206) 370-8421 and advise her who will appear at the hearing.

The status conference will focus on petitioner's detention status. In addition, the Court will consider requests by the parties to amend the schedule for briefing the merits of petitioner's habeas petition, set forth in paragraph (4) below.

In preparation for the status conference, respondents shall file a brief by **9:00 a.m. on**Thursday, February 16, 2017, that addresses the following:

- a. Is petitioner still detained? What is the basis for his detention, given that he has been granted deferred action under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program?
- b. Has petitioner been placed in removal proceedings? What was the result of ICE's initial custody determination? Has petitioner requested a bond hearing before an Immigration Judge? When is any bond hearing scheduled to occur?

1	(6) The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to petitioner and to the
2	Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez.
3	DATED this 14th day of February, 2017.
4	James P. Donobue
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6	Chief United States Magistrate Judge
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