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## SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

Ayton Sanchez Romero, Petitioner

VS.

Merrick B. Garland, Attorney General, Respondent

EMERGENCY MOTION FOR A STAY OF REMOVAL PENDING ADJUDICATION OF THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI AND STAY OF REMOVAL PENDING RESOLUTION OF THE PETITION

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TO THE HONORABLE JOHN G. ROBERTS, JR., CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES AND CIRCUIT JUSTICE FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT:

### ORDER AND OPINION BELOW

The order of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit previously granted Mr. Romero a Stay of Removal which was lifted by Court order on September 19, 2024. See Exhibit 1.

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Applicant, Ayton Romero Sanches, respectfully requests an order staying his removal pending adjudication of his Writ of Certiorari, grant the Petition, and grant Mr. Romero a stay of removal during the Court's consideration of the petition. See *Nken v. Holder*, 556 U.S. 418 (2009).

Mr. Romero is currently in the custody of the Department of Homeland Security and may be deported at any time. He sought and was granted a a previous stay of removal from the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mr. Romero has a strong claim and a likelihood of success on the merits because his constitutional rights were violated as a result of his credible fear claim not being subject to judicial review. Mr. Romero has filed an extensive brief on this issue which was included in his Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Mr. Romero is a refugee from Peru who stated that he feared harm or even being killed if returned to that country. He stated these claim before both the USCIS officer and before the Immigration Judge both of whom found that he had not established a credible fear. Mr. Romero is seeking review of the decision as laid out in *Mendoza-Linares v. Garland*, 51 F.4<sup>th</sup> 1146, 1154-55 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2022) which held that the circuit court lacked jurisdiction to review expedited removal proceedings, including the determination that Petitioner did not establish a credible fear of persecution or torture and whether Petitioner raised a colorable due process challenge.

# REASONS FOR GRANTING THE STAY OF REMOVAL OR ALTERNATIVE RELIEF

The administrative record at issue clearly shows that Mr. Romero would face severe dangers in Peru if he were deported. He stated that people he knew had been killed in Peru that were similarly situated and that he fled Peru due to these fears of persecution and being harmed there. Mr. Romero has family here in the United States including 2 sisters and has been detained since entering the United States.

This Court should therefore grant a stay of removal pending resolution of Mr. Romero's petition for review or, in the alternative, the Court should treat this stay application as a petition for certiorari, grant the petition and

stay deportation pending full review.

Respectfully Submitted,
/s/ Ayton Sanchez Romero

**Ayton Sanchez Romero** 

# EXHIBIT 1

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### FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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AYTON SANCHEZ ROMERO,

Petitioner,

No. 24-2913

Agency No. A249-396-413

V.

**ORDER** 

MERRICK B. GARLAND, Attorney General,

Respondent.

Before: CHRISTEN, OWENS, and BRESS, Circuit Judges.

Petitioner seeks review of an order issued in expedited removal proceedings. See 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(1). We lack jurisdiction to review expedited removal proceedings, including the determination that petitioner did not establish a credible fear of persecution or torture, regardless of whether the petition raises a colorable due process challenge. See 8 U.S.C. § 1252(a)(2)(A); Mendoza-Linares v. Garland, 51 F.4th 1146, 1154-55 (9th Cir. 2022).

The government's motion, contained in Docket Entry No. 19, to dismiss this petition for lack of jurisdiction is granted.

The motion to proceed in forma pauperis (Docket Entry No. 3) is denied as moot.

The motion for a stay of removal is denied. The temporary stay of removal

is lifted.

## PETITION FOR REVIEW DISMISSED.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that true copies of the Emergency Motion for A Stay of Removal have been served by US Mail, postage prepaid upon those listed below on this day October 4, 2024.

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/s/ Ayton Sanchez Romero

**Ayton Sanchez Romero**