**RESPONDENT’S MOTION TO CHANGE VENUE**

Respondent, John Smith, respectfully moves this court to change the venue of his removal proceedings from **Fort Snelling, Minnesota** to **New York, New York**.

I am requesting this change of venue pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 1003.20.

In support of this motion, I state as follows:

1. I was detained at the U.S.-Mexico border seeking asylum. I was moved to ICE detention in Minnesota on or about September 29, 2021.
2. I had an initial master calendar hearing scheduled for November 10, 2021; however, I was released by ICE on parole earlier that day. I have not yet appeared in court and pleadings have not been taken. I expect to admit the factual allegations, concede the charge of removability, decline to designate a country for removal, and file an I-589 application for asylum.
3. I have a non-detained master calendar hearing scheduled for May 10, 2022 at the Fort Snelling Immigration Court.
4. After I was released on parole, I moved to 725 5th Avenue, New York, New York 10022, and I have lived there since. I am simultaneously filing a form EOIR-33/IC with this Court, and a copy is attached to this motion.

For these reasons, venue in my case should be changed to New York, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

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