1 Honorable Thomas S. Zilly 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE J.E.F.M., a minor, by and through his Next Friend, 9 Bob Ekblad; et al., Case No. 2:14-cv-01026-TSZ 10 Plaintiffs-Petitioners, NOTICE OF DEPOSITION TO 11 DEFENDANT U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Loretta E. LYNCH, et al., 12 Fed. R. Civ. Proc. 30(b)(6) Defendants-Respondents, 13 14 15 16 17 8/20/15 4:15pm 18 19 20 21 22 23

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 30(b)(6),
Plaintiff F.L.B. will take the deposition upon oral examination of Respondent U.S. Department
of Justice ("DOJ") commencing at 10:00 AM (EST) on Thursday, September 3, 2015 at the
offices of the American Immigration Council, 1331 G St. NW Suite 200, Washington, D.C.
20005. The deposition will be taken upon oral examination before a notary public or duly
qualified officer, authorized to administer oaths, and will be recorded by the stenographic
method. The deposition will continue from day to day until completed, Saturdays, Sundays, and
holidays excepted.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that DOJ is requested to designate the person or persons most knowledgeable and prepared to testify on their behalf on the matters set forth below.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, pursuant to 6 C.F.R. 5.45(a), Plaintiff hereby states that he seeks testimony that is reasonably calculated to lead to admissible evidence relevant to Plaintiff's claims that Defendants are unlawfully denying appointed legal representation to children in immigration proceedings, in violation of the immigration laws and/or the Due Process Clause. Topics 1 through 16 seek testimony regarding DOJ's policies, procedures and practices purportedly used to safeguard the due process rights of pro se children in immigration proceedings. The information is relevant to the above-captioned matter because it is reasonably calculated to lead to admissible evidence regarding Plaintiffs' claims; indeed, Defendants have repeatedly relied on the policies, practices and procedures identified in these topics in defending this case. In particular, the information is central to legal issues at the heart of this case, including (among other things): whether, under the framework set forth in *Mathews v. Eldridge*, 424 U.S. 319 (1976), the use of alternative safeguards is sufficient to protect the due process rights of children in immigration proceedings without appointing them

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legal representation; whether Plaintiffs' claims and those of the putative class are likely to be resolved or mooted before they are resolved on their merits; and whether DOJ's child-protective procedures are applied uniformly in all cases involving children.

Topics 17 and 18 seek information regarding DOJ's policies and practices related to programs funded by DOJ and ORR, respectively, to provide legal representation to Children in Immigration Proceedings. The information is relevant to the above-captioned matter because it is reasonably calculated to lead to admissible evidence regarding Plaintiffs' claims. In particular, the information is relevant to the likelihood that the claims of the Named Plaintiffs will be mooted out or resolved before they are resolved on the merits.

DEFINITIONS

- 1. For the purposes of this Request, the terms "Child" or "Children" mean any individual under the age of 18.
- 2. The terms "Concern" or "Concerning" shall mean constituting, evidencing, memorializing, related to, referring to, pertaining to, reflecting, or otherwise pertaining in any way, in whole or in part, to the subject matter referred to in the request.
- 3. The terms "Defendant," or "Defendants" refers to Defendants Loretta E. Lynch and Juan P. Osuna, and any or all subdivisions and their officers, employees, representatives, attorneys, agents, and/or all persons acting or purporting to act on their behalf, collectively and individually, including, but not limited to, the "Department of Justice" or "DOJ," and the "Executive Office for Immigration Review" or "EOIR."
- 4. The terms "Department of Homeland Security" or "DHS" refer to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and any or all subdivisions and their officers, employees, representatives, attorneys, agents, and/or all persons acting or purporting to act on their behalf, collectively and individually, including, but not limited to, "Immigration and Customs Enforcement" or "ICE."

5. The terms "Document" or "Documents" shall have the broadest meaning permitted by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 34(a) and shall include any tangible record of intelligence or information, whether handwritten, typed, printed, or otherwise visually or orally reproduced, including information stored electronically, on magnetic or optical media, or in solid state storage devices, notes, drafts, reports, art-work, film or other photo- or video-storage formats, drawings, graphs, photographs, agreements, letters, World Wide Web or other HTML pages (whether archived or current), database information, calendar information, and/or any object or thing that is in possession, custody, or control of Defendant, or to which Defendant otherwise has access. Any Document that includes any mark that is not a part of the original text or reproduction thereof and appears on any sheet (front or back), margin, attachment or enclosure thereof, is to be considered and produced as a separate Document. The term includes electronic database records maintained by Defendants.

6. For the purposes of this Notice only, the term "Guardian" or "Adult Custodian" refers to individuals over the age of 18 who are responsible or have assumed responsibility for the care and custody of a child in Immigration Proceedings, or who are present with a child during an Immigration Proceeding, regardless of whether DHS or the Office of Refugee Resettlement released the child into that individual's care and custody and regardless of whether such individual is responsible for the child's care and custody as a matter of law.

7. The terms "Immigration Proceeding" or "Immigration Proceedings" mean any proceeding that occurs before an Immigration Judge or the Board of Immigration Appeals, including, but not limited to, proceedings pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1229a, 1225(b), 1226(a),

¹ Because it will assist in interpreting this request, Dismissed Plaintiff G.J.C.P. lives with her grandmother (Ms. Zelaya) in the United States, but Ms. Zelaya has not adopted G.J.C.P, nor obtained legal guardianship over her and therefore is not responsible for G.J.C.P.'s care and custody as a matter of law. Nonetheless, she is an Adult Custodian as defined herein.

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1226(c), 1231(a), 8 C.F.R. 1003.19, and any other Immigration Proceedings ancillary to the above-mentioned Proceedings that occur before EOIR. See Dkt. 95, ¶7 n.5.

- 8. The term "Named Plaintiffs" shall refer to Plaintiffs and Petitioners J.E.F.M., a minor, by and through his Next Friend, Bob Ekblad; J.F.M., a minor, by and through his Next Friend, Bob Ekblad; D.G.F.M., a minor, by and through her Next Friend, Bob Ekblad; F.L.B., a minor, by and through his Next Friend, Casey Trupin; M.A.M., a minor, by and through his mother and Next Friend, Rosa Pedro; and J.E.V.G., a minor, by and through his sister and Next Friend, Santos Angela Vasquez.
- 9. The terms "Office of Refugee Resettlement" or "ORR" refer to the U.S. Office of Refugee Resettlement, and any or all subdivisions and their officers, employees, representatives, attorneys, agents, and/or all persons acting or purporting to act on their behalf, collectively and individually.
- 10. The term "Represented" means having, for the purposes of legal representation in Immigration Proceedings before an Immigration Judge or the Board of Immigration Appeals, one of the following:
 - a. an attorney who is licensed to practice law and a member in good standing of the bar of any State, possession, territory, or the District of Columbia, and is not under any order suspending, enjoining, restraining, disbarring, or otherwise restricting such person in the practice of law, as defined in 8 C.F.R. 1292.1(a)(1) and 8 C.F.R. 1001.1(f);
 - b. an accredited representative, as defined in 8 C.F.R. 1292.1(a)(4) and 8 C.F.R. 1292.2; or
 - c. a law student or law graduate of an accredited U.S. law school, who is not yet admitted to the bar, provided that he or she is appearing at the request of the person entitled to legal representation and is appearing under the

supervision of a licensed attorney, faculty member, or accredited representative and without remuneration, as defined in 8 C.F.R. 1292.1(a)(2). See Dkt. 95, \$119 n.23.

- 11. The term "Unrepresented" means lacking, for the purposes of legal representation in Immigration Proceedings before an Immigration Judge or the Board of Immigration Appeals, one of the following:
 - a. an attorney who is licensed to practice law and a member in good standing of the bar of any State, possession, territory, or the District of Columbia, and is not under any order suspending, enjoining, restraining, disbarring, or otherwise restricting such person in the practice of law, as defined in 8 C.F.R. 1292.1(a)(1) and 8 C.F.R. 1001.1(f);
 - b. an accredited representative, as defined in 8 C.F.R. 1292.1(a)(4) and 8 C.F.R. 1292.2; or
 - c. a law student or law graduate of an accredited U.S. law school, who is not yet admitted to the bar, provided that he or she is appearing at the request of the person entitled to legal representation and is appearing under the supervision of a licensed attorney, faculty member, or accredited representative and without remuneration, as defined in 8 C.F.R. 1292.1(a)(2). See Dkt. 95, ¶119 n.23.
- 12. In construing the topics below and the above definitions, (i) the singular shall include the plural and the plural shall include the singular; (ii) the conjunctions "and" and "or" shall be read either disjunctively or conjunctively so as to bring within the scope of the request below all information that might otherwise be construed to be outside its scope; (iii) the word "any" shall include, without limitation, "each and every;" and (iv) the word "including" and "include" are illustrative and do not limit the scope of the request.

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Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning the memorandum titled "Operating Policies and Procedures

Memorandum 07-01," issued by the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge on May 22, 2007

("OPPM 07-01"), available at

http://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/eoir/legacy/2007/05/22/07-01.pdf. See Dkt. 135 at 12-13.

TOPIC NO. 2:

TOPIC NO. 1:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning an Operating Policy and Procedure Memorandum from the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge, titled "Changes of Venue (OPPM) 01-02."

TOPIC NO. 3:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning an Operating Policy and Procedure Memorandum from the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge, titled "Guidelines for Facilitating Pro Bono Legal Services (OPPM) 08-01."

TOPIC NO. 4:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning an Operating Policy and Procedure Memorandum from the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge titled "Continuances and Administrative Closure (OPPM) 13-01."

TOPIC NO. 5:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning the memorandum titled "Docketing Practices Relating to Unaccompanied Children Cases and Adults with Children Released on Alternatives to Detention Cases in Light

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of the New Priorities," issued by the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge on March 24, 2015, available at http://www.justice.gov/eoir/pages/attachments/2015/03/26/docketing-practices-related-to-uacs-and-awcatd-march2015.pdf [hereinafter "Docketing Practices Memo"], and the memorandum titled "Docketing Practices Relating to Unaccompanied Children Cases in Light of the New Priorities," issued by the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge on September 10, 2014, available at http://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/eoir/legacy/2014/09/30/Docketing-Practices-Related-to-UACs-Sept2014.pdf.

TOPIC NO. 6:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning its "Friend of the Court Guidance," issued by the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge on September 10, 2014, available at http://www.ilw.com/immigrationdaily/news/2014,0911-DOJ.pdf. See Dkt. 135 at 13.

TOPIC NO. 7:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning "Children Entering the United States Unaccompanied, Office of Refugee Resettlement (January 30, 2015)."

TOPIC NO. 8:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning "Unaccompanied Children's Services, Office of Refugee Resettlement (August 9, 2012)."

TOPIC NO. 9:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning 8 C.F.R. 1240.10(c), which states that "[t]he immigration judge shall not accept an admission of removability from an unrepresented respondent who is incompetent or under the age of 18 and is not accompanied by an attorney or legal representative, a near

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relative, legal guardian, or friend; nor from an officer of an institution in which a respondent is an inmate or patient." See Dkt. 135 at 12.

TOPIC NO. 10:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning 8 U.S.C. 1158(b)(3)(C), which provides that "[a]n asylum officer (as defined in section 1225(b)(1)(E) of this title) shall have initial jurisdiction over any asylum application filed by an unaccompanied alien child (as defined in section 279(g) of title 6), regardless of whether filed in accordance with this section or section 1225(b) of this title." See Dkt. 135 at 7.

TOPIC NO. 11:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning parents, Guardians, Adult Custodians, or other non-attorney adults accompanying Unrepresented Children in immigration court who are permitted to perform activities including, but not limited to: admitting or denying the Child's removability or any other charges against the Child; waiving the Child's right to apply for certain forms of relief; completing and submitting applications for relief; waiving the Child's right to appeal from a removal order issued by the Immigration Judge; or accepting voluntary departure on behalf of the Child. See, e.g., Dkt. 135 at 10.

TOPIC NO. 12:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning EOIR's Legal Orientation Program for Custodians of Unaccompanied Children. See Dkt. 135 at 13 (citing EOIR's Office of Legal Access Programs, Oct. 22 2014, available at http://www.justice.gov/eoir/pr/eoir-expands-legalorientation-programs).

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Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning "juvenile dockets," "surge dockets," or any other separate or special docketing or scheduling of cases involving children. See Dkt. 80 at 22.

TOPIC NO. 14:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning 8 U.S.C. 1232(b)(6), which provides "[t]he Secretary of Health and Human Services is authorized to appoint independent child advocates for child trafficking victims and other vulnerable unaccompanied alien children." See Dkt. 80 at 22-23.

TOPIC NO. 16:

All safeguards and initiatives, whether formal or informal, referred to by Defendants in the following statement: "Congress, the Executive Office of Immigration Review ("EOIR"), and the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") have implemented a number of safeguards and initiatives geared toward protecting the interest [sic] of children appearing in immigration court," Dkt. 135 at 11-12, and any other policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance that Defendants have implemented in order "protect[] the interest[s]" of Children in Immigration Proceedings.

TOPIC NO. 17:

Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning EOIR's partnership with AmeriCorps to "enroll approximately 100 lawyers and paralegals to provide legal services to unaccompanied children." Dkt. 135 at 14 (citing Office of Public Affairs, June 6, 2014, available at http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-and-cncsannounce-new-partnership-enhance-immigration-courts-and-provide).

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Defendants' policies, procedures, practices, training, or guidance, whether formal or informal, Concerning any other efforts by EOIR or ORR to provide representation to Unrepresented Children in Immigration Proceedings, including (but not limited to), "the Department of Health and Human Services['s] award[of] \$9 million to two grantees to provide legal services to unaccompanied children with the goal of providing paid counsel to approximately 2,600 additional unaccompanied children through the completion of their immigration proceedings." Dkt. 135 at 14.

DATED this 18th day of August, 2015.

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