Fuerza™ IMMIGRATION LAWYERS
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Tel. 510-834-1288 Fax 510-834-0431

The attorneys at Fuerza Immigration Lawyers, LLP, have prepared the following information to provide guidance should you have contact with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). This information is general and is not intended to be legal advice for any particular individual. If you have specific questions about your case, make an appointment with your attorney to discuss your concerns.

GOAL #1: AVOID ICE

There are places where you are at higher risk of being detained by ICE.

- If you hear of ICE raids or operations in your area, avoid them. Many counties in California have Rapid Response Networks where you can call to report immigration sightings. You can find your county's Rapid Response Hotline here: https://www.ccijustice.org/rapid-response
- Avoid travel near the U.S.-Mexico and U.S.-Canada border. A federal regulation allows Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents without a warrant to enter and search buses, trains, boats, and aircrafts within 100 miles of a land or sea border. In addition CBP has the authority to conduct stops and searches of individuals and vehicles within a 100 miles of the border.
- Due to security concerns, airports are also areas where ICE is often present. Even if you are traveling domestically, TSA agents who are checking identification can contact ICE if they have reason to believe the passenger is not in lawful status.
- Do not carry foreign documents. This includes foreign passports and identification cards.

Do not commit crimes.

Certain criminal arrests and convictions are considered so serious under immigration law that you may be placed into ICE custody. In addition, convictions of certain crimes may make you ineligible for immigration relief.

- If you are arrested by the police, you have the right to remain silent and speak to an attorney. Never accept a plea bargain or sign anything without learning how the conviction could affect your immigration status.
- Do not carry, sell, purchase, or transport marijuana products or controlled substances.
- Do not work in the marijuana industry. Although marijuana use is legal in California, it remains classified as a Schedule I drug under the Controlled Substances Act. Working in the marijuana industry, even as a janitor, packer, or administrative assistant could make you ineligible for immigration relief and lead to ICE detention.
- If you are not a United States citizen, do not purchase, sell, possess, carry, brandish, or fire any firearms. This includes applying for hunting licenses and concealed carry permits.
- Driving under the influence (DUI), domestic violence, robbery, murder, and theft are also serious crimes that could also result in ICE placing an individual into custody.

GOAL #2: AVOID DETENTION

What to do if you have contact with ICE in the street:

- Stay calm and do not run. If you run, you are giving ICE officials probable cause to detain you. If you see ICE, walk calmly to a place where you feel safe.
- You have the right to remain silent. You do not need to speak to the immigration officers, answer questions, or present documents. Provide the immigration officer with the red card which details your Constitutional rights which is included in this packet.
- Ask if you are being detained, if not, assert your right to remain silent and walk away.

What to do if ICE is at your home:

- DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR. If you have small children at home, it is important to make sure that you tell them not to open the door unless an adult is present.
- You do not have to open the door or let the officers into your home unless they have a valid search warrant signed by a judge. Ask the officers to slide the warrant under a door or through a window. If the warrant does not have your correct name and address, and it is not signed by a judge, you do not have to open the door.
- See the attached sample of a valid, judicial warrant for reference. If ICE officers do not have this document, they do not have the right to enter and search your home. Even if they wait outside for hours, remain calm, and do not open the door. Call your attorney!

GOAL #3: AVOID EXPEDITED REMOVAL AND VOLUNTARY DEPARTURE

"Detained" means that ICE has handcuffed you and is telling you that you are now detained.

If you are being detained and have a pending immigration case:

- Do not lie.
- Provide information of your pending immigration case: a copy of your receipt notice or your work permit.
- Show evidence that you have been in the US for at least two years.
- If Fuerza Immigration Lawyers, LLP represents you, present one of our business cards.
- Remain silent and do not provide information. Ask to speak with your attorney.
- Ask to see an immigration judge.
- Make sure your name is spelled correctly and you provide your date of birth
- DO NOT SIGN ANYTHING WITHOUT SPEAKING TO AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY

- If you are being detained and do not have a pending application:
  - Remain silent and do not provide information. Ask to speak to an attorney.
  - Ask to see an immigration judge.
  - DO NOT SIGN ANYTHING WITHOUT SPEAKING TO AN ATTORNEY

- Additional information you can provide to ICE if you are being detained:
  - If you have minor USC children, inform ICE immediately
  - If you are a nursing mother, take medications, have critical medical issues, inform ICE immediately.
  - If you have a LPR or USC spouse, parents, or children, and you have been living in the United States for more than 10 years, inform ICE immediately.
  - If you are afraid of returning to your country, inform ICE immediately.

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW TO PREPARE FOR POSSIBLE DETENTION:

There are certain things you can do today to prepare for possible contact with immigration in the future.

- If you are represented by Fuerza Immigration Lawyers, LLP, memorize our phone number so you can call us. If you do not have our number memorized, ask your paralegal for a copy of your 3rd Party Release Authorization to confirm that you have authorized an emergency contact to speak with us about your case if you are detained. Memorize their number as well.
- Make sure you have evidence of your physical presence in the United States for at least two years. This can include a copies of paystubs, educational certificates, or an expired driver's license.
- Have money ready for bond and speak to a trusted person who would be able to post on your behalf if you are detained. The minimum bond amount is $1,500 and there is no upper limit. Bond needs to be paid in cash.
- Have money to hire an immigration attorney if you are detained.
- Consider executing a family preparedness plan. See the sample authorization included in this packet. If you are detained, it is important to consider who is going to pick your children up from school, who is going to be able to take them to the doctor, and who is going to care for them if you are detained. Make sure you share this plan with your children as well.
- If you have a criminal record, speak to a criminal attorney about getting your records vacated for constitutional violations if you can.

As a reminder, if you have contact with ICE or any immigration officials:

1. You have the right to remain silent.
2. Do not sign anything.
3. Ask to speak with your attorney and see an immigration judge.

If you have any questions, please call your paralegal to schedule an appointment with your attorney. We are more than happy to provide information and guidance during these uncertain times.

Usted tiene derechos constitucionales:

• **NO ABRA LA PUERTA** si un agente de inmigración está tocando la puerta.

• **NO CONTESTE NINGUNA PREGUNTA** de un agente de inmigración si trata de hablar con usted. Usted tiene el derecho a guardar silencio.

• **NO FIRME NADA** sin antes hablar con un abogado. Usted tiene el derecho de hablar con un abogado.

• Si usted está fuera de su casa, pregúntele al agente si tiene la libertad de irse y si le dice que sí, váyase con tranquilidad.

• **ENTRÉGUELE ESTA TARJETA EL AGENTE.** Si usted está dentro de su casa, muestre la tarjeta por la ventana o pásela debajo de la puerta.

I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

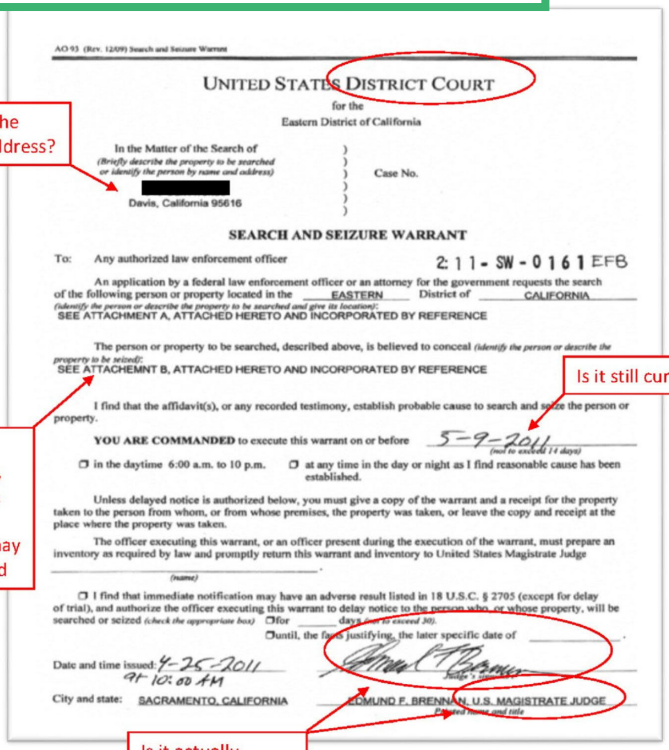
I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name on it that you slide under the door.

I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights.

I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.

These cards are available to citizens and noncitizens alike.

JUDICIAL WARRANTS v. IMMIGRATION WARRANTS



AO 93 (Rev. 12/09) Search and Seizure Warrant

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Eastern District of California

In the Matter of the Search of
(Briefly describe the property to be searched or identify the person by name and address)
[redacted]
Davis, California 95616

Case No. 2:11-SW-0161 EFB

SEARCH AND SEIZURE WARRANT

To: Any authorized law enforcement officer

An application by a federal law enforcement officer or an attorney for the government requests the search of the following person or property located in the EASTERN District of CALIFORNIA
(identify the person or describe the property to be searched and give its location):
SEE ATTACHMENT A, ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The person or property to be searched, described above, is believed to conceal (identify the person or describe the property to be seized):
SEE ATTACHEMNT B, ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

I find that the affidavit(s), or any recorded testimony, establish probable cause to search and seize the person or property.

YOU ARE COMMANDED to execute this warrant on or before 5-9-2011 (not to exceed 14 days)

☐ in the daytime 6:00 a.m. to 10 p.m. ☐ at any time in the day or night as I find reasonable cause has been established.

Unless delayed notice is authorized below, you must give a copy of the warrant and a receipt for the property taken to the person from whom, or from whose premises, the property was taken, or leave the copy and receipt at the place where the property was taken.

The officer executing this warrant, or an officer present during the execution of the warrant, must prepare an inventory as required by law and promptly return this warrant and inventory to United States Magistrate Judge
(name)

☐ I find that immediate notification may have an adverse result listed in 18 U.S.C. § 2705 (except for delay of trial), and authorize the officer executing this warrant to delay notice to the person who, or whose property, will be searched or seized (check the appropriate box) ☐ for ____ days (not to exceed 30).
☐ until, the facts justifying, the later specific date of ____.

Date and time issued: 4-25-2011 @ 10:00 AM

City and state: SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

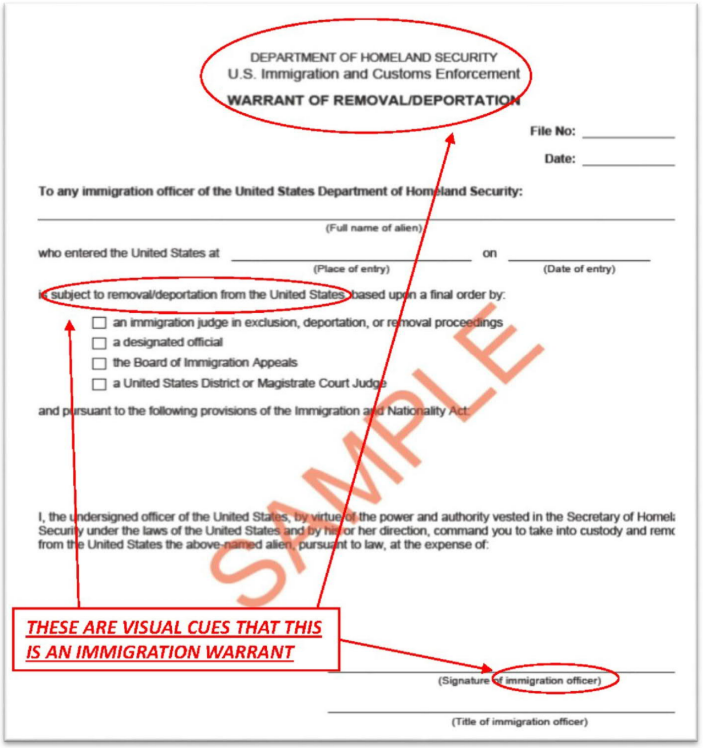
EDMUND F. BRENNAN, U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE
Printed name and title

Is this the right address?

Note: only the person, property, & areas specified may be searched

Is it still current?

Is it actually signed by a judge?



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
WARRANT OF REMOVAL/DEPORTATION

File No: _____

Date: _____

To any immigration officer of the United States Department of Homeland Security:

_____
(Full name of alien)

who entered the United States at _____ on _____
(Place of entry) (Date of entry)

is subject to removal/deportation from the United States based upon a final order by:

- ☐ an immigration judge in exclusion, deportation, or removal proceedings
- ☐ a designated official
- ☐ the Board of Immigration Appeals
- ☐ a United States District or Magistrate Court Judge

and pursuant to the following provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act:

I, the undersigned officer of the United States, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Secretary of Homeland Security under the laws of the United States and by his or her direction, command you to take into custody and remove from the United States the above-named alien, pursuant to law, at the expense of:

SAMPLE

_____
(Signature of immigration officer)

_____
(Title of immigration officer)

THESE ARE VISUAL CUES THAT THIS IS AN IMMIGRATION WARRANT

NATIONAL IMMIGRATION LAW CENTER

IF THE ANSWER TO ALL OF THESE IS YES, THEN IT IS LIKELY A VALID JUDICIAL WARRANT

VALID

NOT VALID

Credit: National Immigration Law Center

CALIFORNIA RAPID RESPONSE NETWORKS

For quality Know-Your-Rights materials, we encourage you to check out and share these videos and the Immigrant Defense Project and Immigrant Legal Resource Center websites or contact your local rapid response network.

*This list is updated on an ongoing basis. If you notice information that has changed or is out of date, please contact us at info[@]ccijustice.org

[Note: We do not list networks that are currently inactive - if you do not see a network for your area, it is because we have not been able to verify that a network in that area is active. If you have recently activated or reactivated a network, please contact us so we can add it. Please do not share rapid response network hotlines without verifying that they are active.]

Bay Area

Marin Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: 415-991-4545

Stand Together Contra Costa
- Hotline: 925-900-5151
- Website: https://standtogethercontracosta.org/

San Francisco Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: 415-200-1548
- Website: http://sfilen.org/

San Mateo County Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: 203-666-4472

Santa Clara County Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: 408-290-1144
- Website: https://www.amigoscenter.com/rapid-respon

Alameda County: Hotline coming soon. Current option for reporting immigration enforcement activity: Centro Legal de la Raza
- Operating Hours: 9AM - 5PM
- Phone Number: (510) 437-1554
- Website: https://www.acilep.org/

Other Northern & Central California

Centro del Pueblo Rapid Response Network (Humboldt County)
- Hotline: 707-200-8091
- Website: https://www.instagram.com/centrodelpueblo

Kern County Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: 661-432-2230
- Website: http://www.rapidresponsekern.com

North Bay Rapid Response Network (Sonoma, Napa & Solano Counties)
- Hotline: 707- 800-4544
- Website: https://www.northbayop.org/nbrrn

Sacramento Rapid Response Network (Sacramento, Yolo, Placer, El Dorado, Nevada, Yuba, Sutter, Colusa, Butte and rural areas North without a more local hotline)
- Hotline: 916-382-0256
- Website: https://www.sacfuelnetwork.org/sacramento-rapid-response-network

Santa Cruz County: Your Allied Rapid Response Network & Pajaro Valley Rapid Response
- Hotline: 831-239-4289
- Website: https://www.facebook.com/YARRsantacruz/

Valley Watch Rapid Response Network (Fresno, San Joaquin, Merced, Stanislaus, and Kern Counties)
- Hotline: 559-206-0151

Los Angeles

Los Angeles Raids and Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: 888-624-4752

Immigrant Defenders Law Center Rapid Response Legal Resource Hotline (Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Orange, Riverside, San Diego, and Imperial counties)
- Hotline: (213) 833-8283
- Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday from 9AM-4PM PST
- Website: https://www.immdef.org/blog/immdefrrhotline

San Diego

San Diego Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: (619) 536-0823
- Website: https://rapidresponsesd.org/

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Other Southern California

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- Hotline: (213) 833-8283
- Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday from 9AM-4PM PST
- Website: https://www.immdef.org/blog/immdefrrhotline

Inland Coalition For Immigrant Justice – Emergency Response Network (San Bernardino & Riverside Counties)
- Hotline: 909-361-4588
- Website: http://ic4ij.org/

ÓRALE (City of Long Beach)
- Hotline: (562) 276-0267 (leave a voicemail)
- Website: https://www.orale.org/

Orange County Rapid Response Network
- Hotline: 714-881-1558
- Email: casereferral@ocrapidresponse.org

Southern Central Coast Rapid Response Network (Santa Barbara, Ventura & San Luis Obispo Counties)
- Hotline: (805) 870-8855
- Website: www.805immigrant.org

Are we missing a California Rapid Response Network? Please let us know!

Get in touch!

First Name *

Last Name *

Email *

Message *

Submit

ADDRESS

1999 Harrison St Suite 1800
Oakland, CA 94612

CONTACT US

info@ccijustice.org

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WE HAVE RIGHTS

An empowerment campaign to prepare for and safely defend our rights during encounters with Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE).



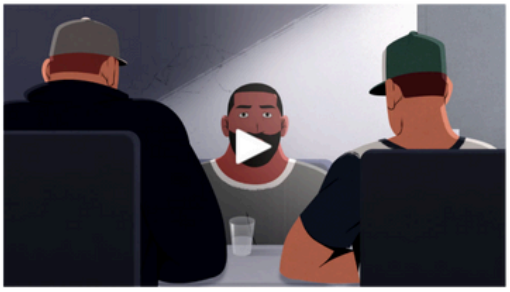
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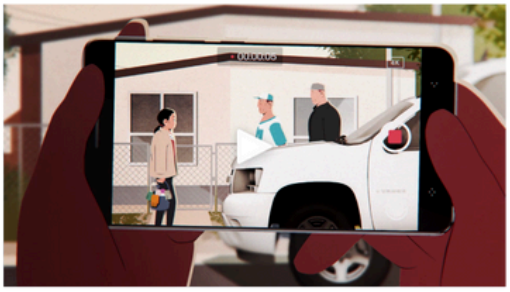
INSIDE OUR HOMES



IN OUR COMMUNITIES, IN OUR STREETS



IF ICE ARRESTS US



WHEN DOCUMENTING ICE ARRESTS

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Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project, Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc. Main Office*

Catholic Charities of Los Angeles
1530 James M Wood Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90015
Tel: (213) 251-3505
Fax: (213) 487-0986
www.esperanza-la.org

- Monday-Friday, 8:30AM-5:30PM
- Assisting immigrants in understanding visas, asylum claims, special immigrant juvenile status (SIJS), cancellation of removal, and other forms of immigration relief
- Representing detained adults in removal proceedings
- Assisting victims of crime such as: victims of domestic violence and victims of human trafficking
- Pro bono (resources permitting and based on grant availability
- We have a hotline service which provides guidance, legal orientations, and referrals to adult detained individuals in removal proceedings
- Languages: English and Spanish (other languages available through interpreter services)

Immigrant Defenders Law Center*

634 S. Spring Street, 10th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90014
Tel: (213) 634-0999
Fax: (213) 282-3133
info@immdef.org
www.immdef.org

- Low income detainees
- Priority given to Los Angeles County residents
- Other program requirements may apply
- Languages: Spanish and other languages available upon request

Human Rights First**

3680 Wilshire Blvd., Suite PO4-414
Los Angeles, CA 90010
Tel: (213) 205-0468
Fax: (213) 402-2512
laprobono@humanrightsfirst.org
www.humanrightsfirst.org/asylum.asylum-seekers-and-potential-clients

- Represents indigent individuals and families seeking asylum
- To request assistance, please call our office at (212) 845-5200 and leave a voice message. You may also send us an email at laprobono@humanrightsfirst.org. Please include your contact information and a brief message describing the circumstances of your case. A staff member will contact you to schedule a screening.
- Languages: Spanish and others as needed

ABA Commission on Immigration Detention Information Hotline**

1050 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Unit 400
Washington, DC 20036
immcenter@americanbar.org
www.americanbar.org/groups/public_interest/immigration/

- Pro se case assistance for detained respondents only
- Respondents detained at Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) or Bureau of Prisons (BOP) facilities should contact our speed dial at 2150#
- To contact on behalf of an individual detained by ICE or BOP, email immcenter@americanbar.org
- Respondents detained at Department of Defense (DOD) military facilities (including Guantanamo) should contact our toll-free hotline at 1 (855) 641-6081

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Alameda County Public Defender - Immigration Representation Unit*

1401 Lakeside Drive, Suite 400
Oakland, CA 94612
Tel: (510) 272-6611

- Representation limited to individuals with Alameda county residence or convictions
- Languages: English, Spanish, Farsi, and Russian

International Institute of Los Angeles*

3845 Selig Place
Los Angeles, CA 90031
Tel: (323) 264-6217
Fax: (323) 264-6418
ireception@iilosangeles.org
www.iilosangeles.org

- Open Monday-Friday, 8:30AM-5PM
- Services include removal defense, habeas petitions and bond representation
- No walk-ins
- By appointment only (solo con cita)
- Languages: English and Spanish, other languages available upon request

San Francisco Public Defender's Office*

555 7th Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
Tel: (628) 271-9898

- We provide removal defense to people in immigration custody. We prioritize people who have lived or worked in San Francisco
- We also offer removal defense to people that are not detained AND who are current or former clients of San Francisco Public Defender's Office
- Languages: English and Spanish

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Community Legal Services in East Palo Alto (CLSEPA)*

1861 Bay Road
East Palo Alto, CA 94303
Tel: (650) 326-6440
Fax: (866) 688-5204
info@clsepa.org

- Representation limited to residents of San Mateo and Santa Clara counties
- Will represent juveniles and adults in removal proceedings
- No collect calls are accepted
- Languages: Spanish, Portuguese

Low Income Legal Assistance Center*

345 Franklin Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
Tel: (650) 810-6357
info@lilaclegal.org
lilaclegal.org/

<u>San Jose Office:</u>
1576 Story Road
San Jose, CA 95122
Tel: (650) 810-6357

<u>Redwood City Office:</u>
2615 Middlefield Road
Redwood City, CA 94063
Tel: (650) 810-6357

- No walk-ins
- Please call for an appointment
- Intake hours: Monday-Saturday, 8AM-6PM
- Specialize in removal defense
- Languages: English and Spanish

California Immigration Project*

1722 J Street, Suite 300
Sacramento, CA 95811
Tel: (916) 241-3355
info@calimm.org

- Please call our office to schedule a consultation

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Kids in Need of Defense (KIND)*

San Francisco Office:
71 Stevenson Street, Suite 1450
San Francisco, CA 94105
Tel: (415) 694-7389
Fax: (415) 694-7397
infosanfrancisco@supportkind.org
www.supportkind.org

- KIND's San Francisco office represents children residing in San Francisco, Alameda, Marin, and Contra Costa counties
- La oficina de KIND San Francisco representa a a niños que viven en los condados de San Francisco, Alameda, Marin, Contra Costa

Fresno Office:
550 E. Shaw Avenue, Suite 210
Fresno, CA 93710
Tel: (559) 573-8404
Fax: (800) 707-8309
infofresno@supportkind.org
www.supportkind.org

- KIND's Fresno office represents children residing in San Joaquin, Kern, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, Madera, Merced, and Stanislaus counties
- La oficina de KIND San Francisco representa a niños que viven en los condados de San Joaquin, Kern, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, Madera, Merced, y Stanislaus

Asian Law Caucus*

55 Columbus Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94111
Tel: (415) 896-1701
Fax: (415) 896-1702
www.asianlawcaucus.org

- Specialize in criminal removal defense for detained individuals
- Not available for Asylum, Credible Fear Interviews, or Asylum Merits Interviews
- Languages: Mandarin, Cantonese, and Vietnamese

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- Specialize in African countries and LGBTQ from any country
- Asylum cases only
- No hablamos español

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1999 Harrison Street, Suite 1800
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info@ccijustice.org
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Los Angeles, CA 90015
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Fax: (213) 487-0986
www.esperanza-la.org

- Monday-Friday, 8:30AM-5:30PM
- Serving EOIR Los Angeles (the counties of: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura, Kern, and Santa Barbara)
- Assisting immigrants in understanding visas, asylum claims, special immigrant juvenile status (SIJS), and other forms of immigration relief
- Representing both detained and non-detained adult immigrants in removal proceedings
- Representing non-detained minors in removal proceedings
- Assisting victims of crime such as: victims of domestic violence and victims of human trafficking
- Pro bono (resources permitting and based on grant availability
- Languages: English and Spanish (other languages through interpreter services)

Community Lawyers, Inc.*

1216 East Compton Blvd.
Compton, CA 90221
Tel: (310) 635-8181
clinics@community-lawyers.org
www.community-lawyers.org

- No walk-ins
- By appointment only (solo con cita)
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Monterey Park, CA 91754
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refugeeunitedstates@gmail.com
www.refugeeunitedstates.com

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Los Angeles, CA 90014
Tel: (213) 634-0999
Fax: (213) 282-3133
info@immdef.org
www.immdef.org

- Low income respondents
- Priority given to Los Angeles County residents
- Unaccompanied minors
- Languages: Spanish and other languages available upon request

Kids In Need of Defense (KIND) - Los Angeles*

801 S. Grand Avenue, Suite 550
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Tel: (213) 274-0170
Fax: (213) 274-0169
infolosangeles@supportkind.org
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- Children's, juvenile, and UAC cases only
- SIJS, asylum, U/T Visas
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El Rescate*

1605 West Olympic Blvd., Suite 516
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www.elrescate.org

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immigration@jfssd.org
www.jfssd.org/site/PageServer?pagename=programs_refugee_main

- Please leave a voicemail any time day or night. Calls returned in the order received. If currently detained and you reach our voicemail, leave your full name and A-number in a voicemail and we will schedule a meeting in person or remote.
- Specialize in Bond Hearings, Removal Defense, Cancellation of Removal, Asylum, Withholding of Removal, UN Convention Against Torture, Adjustment of Status, VAWA, U Visa, SIJS and T visa.
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Reno, NV 89502
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- Consultations by appointment only
- Only accepts cases heard in the Reno Immigration Court

California Immigration Project*

1722 J Street, Suite 300
Sacramento, CA 95811
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Immigrant Defenders Law Center*

634 S. Spring Street 10th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90014
Tel: (213) 634-0999
Fax: (213) 282-3133
info@immdef.org
www.immdef.org

- Low income detainees
- Priority given to Los Angeles County residents
- Other program requirements may apply
- Languages: Spanish - other languages available upon request

International Institute of Los Angeles*

3845 Selig Place
Los Angeles, CA 90031
Tel: (323) 264-6217
Fax: (323) 264-6418
ireception@iilosangeles.org
www.iilosangeles.org

- Open Monday-Friday, 8:30AM-5PM
- Services include: removal defense and affirmative petitions
- No walk-ins
- By appointment only (solo con cita)
- Languages: English and Spanish, other languages available upon request

Kids In Need of Defense (KIND) - Los Angeles*

801 S. Grand Avenue, Suite 550
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Tel: (213) 274-0170
Fax: (213) 274-0169
infolosangeles@supportkind.org
www.supportkind.org

- Children's, juvenile, and UAC cases only
- SIJS, asylum, U/T Visas
- No walk-ins, by appointment only
- Languages: English and Spanish speaking staff

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http://www.justice.gov/eoir/list-pro-bono-legal-service-providers

Santa Ana Immigration Court

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Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Inc. Main Office*

1530 James M Wood Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90015
Tel: (213) 251-3505
Fax: (213) 487-0986
www.esperanza-la.org

- Monday-Friday 9:00AM-5:30PM
- Serving EOIR: Orange, San Bernadino, and Riverside counties
- Assisting immigrants in understanding visas, asylum claims, special immigrant juvenile status (SIJS), and other forms of immigration relief
- Reduced fee schedule, nominal, or pro bono (resources permitting and based on grant availability)
- Languages: English and Spanish (other languages through interpreter services)

Refugee Support Network*

2301 Findlay Avenue
Monterey Park, CA 91754
Tel: (626) 323-1495
refugeeunitedstates@gmail.com
www.refugeeunitedstates.com

- No walk-ins, please call for an appointment
- Languages: English, Spanish, and Mandarin

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