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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

Bashir Karim,	_____)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	Case No. C 08-1920 TEH
vs.)	
)	
Michael Mukasey, Attorney General of the)	PETITIONER'S RESPONSE
United States; Michael Chertoff, Secretary of the)	TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
Department of Homeland Security; Emilio)	AND PROPOSED ORDER
Gonzalez, Director of United States Citizenship &)	
Immigration Services; Robert S. Mueller, III,)	
Christina Poulos, Director of the California Service)	
Center; Robin Barrett, USCIS District Director,)	
et al;)	
Defendants)	
	_____)	

RESPONSE TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

In the attached declaration of Erich Keefe, counsel for the Plaintiff explains the circumstances surrounding his failure to appear at the September 8, 2008 case management conference and the measures that he has taken to ensure that this never happens again. His failure was not intentional, nor was it part of a pattern of carelessness, and backup calendaring procedures have been instituted to address the underlying reasons for his failure to appear.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the court grant a one-time excuse from the imposition of monetary sanctions and that the OSC matter be vacated from the court's calendar.

Dated: September 22, 2008

_____/s/_____
Erich Keefe
Attorney for Petitioner

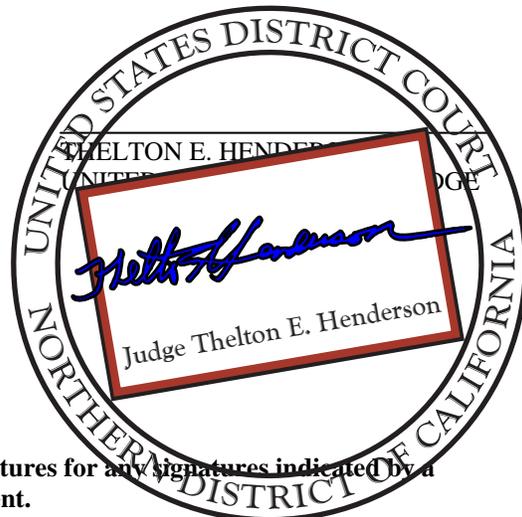
_____/s/_____¹
Shah Peerally
Attorney for Petitioner

ORDER

Plaintiff's counsel, Erich Keefe, was ordered to show cause at a hearing before this Court on October 29, 2008 why monetary sanctions should not be imposed for his failure to appear at the case management conference on September 8, 2008.

After considering the declaration of Erich Keefe regarding the circumstances of his failure to appear and the measures that he has taken to ensure that it never happens again, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT monetary sanctions not be imposed and that the order to show cause hearing be taken off of the court's calendar.

Dated: 09/25/08



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