

2025 Non-Detained Master Calendar Hearings- Immigration Court Observation

1. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Observer (full name): \_\_\_\_\_

3. Shift time:  8:30-10:30  10:30-12:30  1:30-3:00  3:00-4:30 Check if not allowed in at shift start time:

4. Judge:  Carr  Ivany  Mazzie  Miller  Sardelli  Wood  Zaske  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

5. DHS Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Hearings Tallies (R=Respondent, I J= Judge)

Total hearings: \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> hearing is more than one year past entry into US: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearings R in person: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearings R remote (video/phone): \_\_\_\_\_

R already filed asylum app: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearings R pro se: \_\_\_\_\_

If filed asylum, pleadings done today: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearings R represented: \_\_\_\_\_

Pleadings done, no relief filed yet: \_\_\_\_\_

Respondents have moved: \_\_\_\_\_

Language:

English Speakers: \_\_\_\_\_

Specify Languages: \_\_\_\_\_

Spanish Speakers: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Languages: \_\_\_\_\_

Case not heard, no interpreter: \_\_\_\_\_

Tally outcomes of hearings conducted:

Master calendar reset: \_\_\_\_\_

Removal order: \_\_\_\_\_

Merit hearing/trial queue next: \_\_\_\_\_

Voluntary Departure granted: \_\_\_\_\_

Termination/Dismissal: \_\_\_\_\_

Change of Venue: \_\_\_\_\_

Admin closure: \_\_\_\_\_

No shows reset: \_\_\_\_\_

Status Docket: \_\_\_\_\_

No-shows In absentia removal: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Comment on any hearing tallies above: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Continuance date for next master calendar hearings (main reset date): \_\_\_\_\_

9. Interpretation problems/ Comments \_\_\_\_\_

10. If any respondents live outside MN, please list the states here: \_\_\_\_\_

ADVISALS

For questions 11-19 use a 5 point scale: 1= strongly disagree, 3= neutral, 5= strongly agree

Table with 6 columns (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, NA) and 5 rows of survey questions regarding pro se respondents and attorney costs.

- 16. For pro se respondents IJ explained R must file change of address w/in 5 days
- 17. For pro se respondents IJ explained "failure to appear" results in deportation order
- 18. Judge offered WebEx appearance to people who live far from court
- 19. I J discussed change of venue if R lives outside MN, SD, or ND

**ASYLUM APPLICATIONS & FILINGS**

For questions 20-28 use a 5 point scale: 1= strongly disagree, 3= neutral, 5= strongly agree      **1   2   3   4   5   NA**

- 20. IJ offered pro se respondents an asylum application at first hearing
- 21. IJ gave asylum application to respondents upon request
- 22. For pro se respondents at 1<sup>st</sup> hearing I J explained 1 year filing deadline for asylum
- 23. For pro se respondents at 1<sup>st</sup> hearing I J gave specific filing date or noted entry date
- 24. For pro se respondents at continued hearing, IJ reiterated asylum filing deadline
- 25. IJ explained can add evidence and amend filed asylum application until final hearing
- 26. IJ explained if asylum app filed > 1 yr after entry, can be considered for Withholding (WOR)
- 27. If asylum application has been filed, IJ took pleadings and offered merit hearing next
- 28. If R is pro se today, IJ offered time to find atty even if asylum application already filed

**OTHER RELIEF APPLICATIONS**

- 29. Mark which applications for relief other than asylum were discussed or offered to respondents:     None
- Adjustment of status     Cancellation of removal     Cuban Adj Act     SIJS     Termination/dismissal     TPS     VAWA

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

30. New procedures, policies, or arguments noted: \_\_\_\_\_

31. Comments about Judge: \_\_\_\_\_

32. Comments on DHS attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

33. Comments about respondents: \_\_\_\_\_

34. Did anyone ask about asylum clock?     Yes     No     Unsure    Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

35. Additional impressions, questions, observations, quotes: \_\_\_\_\_