

Declaration of [REDACTED] A# [REDACTED]

1. I, [REDACTED] originally from [REDACTED] I am currently detained with my six year old son, [REDACTED] and currently residing at the South Texas Family Residential center 300 El Rancho Way Dilley, TX 78017. My son and I were detained on August 23, 2015.
2. On September 18, 2015, I met with ICE officers with a group of about 40 other women, and were told that getting a bond would take about 35 or more days and that the quickest option out of the detention center is the ankle monitor option. I was told that the ankle monitor would be worn for 10 to 15 days. The officers also informed us that the bond amount would be around 4000 dollars, even though they were not the judges. The officers gave the women in my group and I misleading information that the conditions for release would be the same for those on the ankle monitor and the bond release. These conditions included having to present myself to an officer often, not being able to leave my home, and that my first court date would be in around two years, and all aforementioned conditions were to be met until then whether I was to wear an ankle monitor or not.
3. Had the officer told me correct and true information, I would have chosen to depart on bond after a hearing before an immigration judge. The officer made it difficult for me to say no to the ankle monitor and now that I know what happened, I feel coerced. The officer also made me sign the "Notice of Custody Determination" without explaining to me what I was signing and he checked the "I do not request an immigration judge review of this custody determination box" for me without explaining to me why he checked it. I was not given the opportunity to check this box myself, and was consequently not allowed to make this decision myself.
4. Now with new information, I would have reversed my decision and requested the bond. However, because my family has purchased a plane ticket for my son and I to [REDACTED] I am leaving this place with an ankle monitor. My primary concern was having to stay in detention any longer like the officer had told me. My son has to see an optometrist soon, so I took the fastest way to get out of here.

"I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection:

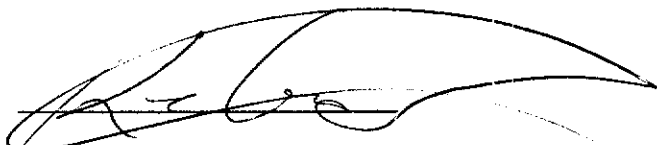
[REDACTED]

Signature

09/23/2015

Date

I certify that I am proficient in the English and Spanish languages and I accurately and truthfully read the aforementioned in the Spanish language to the client.



Kelvin Lopez

09/23/2015

Date