

AFFIDAVIT OF [REDACTED]

My name is [REDACTED] I was born on [REDACTED] in San Francisco, El Salvador. I have two children, a 13 year old daughter named [REDACTED] and a 6 year old son named [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] We were detained August 22, 2015 in Brownsville, Texas.

After several weeks of being detained in Dilley, my son became ill. He complained of nausea, sore throat, and fever. He vomited several times. I immediately took him to the clinic to receive care. My son was briefly examined and found to have a fever of 103. We were given Tylenol and told to take it for three days. I do not know if the person that saw us was a pediatrician. We arrived at 12pm, and did not leave until shortly after 5pm.

I was worried about my son, and gave him the recommended medication and doses as we were told. After three days, I saw that my son's condition had not improved. I took him back to the clinic, but since there is no doctor present at night we were not able to have an exam. The nurses on duty gave us a few more Tylenol, and told us to come back during the day for an exam. This time we arrived at 10pm, and left at 1am. We were given an appointment for 1pm for the next day.

When we returned to the dormitory, my son was inconsolable. He had been crying almost constantly since he became sick, but this night he was especially upset and screaming. It was obvious that he was still very ill, and that the Tylenol was not giving him any relief. We did not sleep at all that night.

The day of the appointment, I knew we could not wait until 1pm for our appointment, so we arrived early at 12pm. I explained to the receptionist that my son had been ill for several days and up all night, and asked if we could see the doctor earlier. I was told that there were many children in line and that we would have to wait. We did not see the doctor until 4pm.

When we were finally able to see the doctor, she examined my son and quickly decided that he needed medical attention in a hospital. She prepared the forms for us to leave, and we prepared to leave for the hospital.

My daughter was waiting for us in the dormitory. I wanted to let her know that we were going to the hospital, and not to worry. I wanted to let her know that everything would be ok and that we would be back soon. I was not allowed to speak with my daughter

before going the hospital, and the guards told me that they would speak with her. I asked that they please allow me to speak to my daughter before leaving, but they would not let me. I knew that my son needed to be taken to the hospital and did not want to miss our chance, so I left for the hospital without speaking to my daughter [REDACTED]

My daughter became worried because we had not returned and no one had told her anything. She came to the clinic to look for us, and was told by another woman in our dormitory that we had been taken to the hospital. She became extremely upset that she was alone, and because she did not know the condition of her brother.

[REDACTED] began to cry, and called her cousin [REDACTED] that lives in Houston. She explained to her cousin that she had been left alone, that we had been taken to the hospital, and that she did not know what was going on. [REDACTED] contacted the attorneys working with us, who were able to meet with my daughter and contact me in the hospital on Friday. She was immediately relieved to hear my voice, and to know that we would be back.

I stayed in the hospital with [REDACTED] until Saturday afternoon. He was given fluids, and had tests done on his stomach. They believe that a virus caused his symptoms. When we were released, it was clear that he was in a much better condition. I thank God that we were able to receive treatment in the hospital, and that he has not had any relapse.

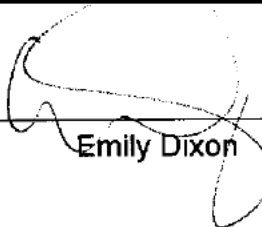
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection, followed by the date and signature.

[REDACTED]

9-30-15
Date

I certify that I am proficient in the English and Spanish languages and that the foregoing is a written transcription of the verbal declaration made to me in Spanish by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]


Emily Dixon

9/30/15
Date