

SCHEDULING ORDER FOR MATTER OF A-B- CASES

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A-Number: A [REDACTED]

Date: June 20, 2018

This scheduling order is being issued in light of the Attorney General's decision in Matter of A-B-, 27 I&N Dec. 316 (A.G. 2018). The following deadlines are in addition to any filing deadlines prescribed by statute, regulation, an Operating Policies and Procedures Memorandum (OPPM), the Immigration Court Practice Manual (ICPM), or another scheduling order.

By August 20, 2018, the Respondent will file a brief identifying the following:

- (1) The asylum grounds asserted and the supporting facts.
- (2) The particular social groups to which each principal applicant and each derivative or minor applicant belongs, and the supporting facts and case law.
- (3) Any argument distinguishing Matter of A-B- from the instant case(s) if it is distinguishable. See page 2 for a list of issues identified in Matter of A-B-.

By November 20, 2018, the ICE/Office of the Chief Counsel may file a motion to pretermi or, in the alternative, to narrow the issues for trial.

By December 20, 2018 or 15 days before the individual calendar hearing, whichever is later, both parties may file a statement of stipulated facts and applicable law if the parties are able to reach a stipulation concerning the dispositive factual issues and/or questions of law.

Notice: A party's failure to identify a particular factual or legal issue in dispute will automatically constitute a waiver of that party's right to raise or to contest such issue at the individual (evidentiary) hearing. Because the consequences of waiver can be severe, both parties are encouraged to work in good faith toward the timely, prompt, and fair resolution of this matter. No party will make *ex parte* communications with the court.

Thank you very much for your collaboration and cooperation.

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