

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
Alexandria Division

J.E.C.M., a minor, by and through his next friend )  
JOSE JIMENEZ SARAVIA, et al., )  
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Plaintiffs/Petitioners, )  
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v. )  
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JONATHAN HAYES, Acting Director, Office of )  
Refugee Resettlement, et al., )  
 )  
Defendants/Respondents. )

1:18-cv-903 (LMB/MSN)

ORDER

For the reasons stated in open court, Plaintiffs’ Renewed Motion for Class Certification is GRANTED IN PART and DENIED IN PART, and it is hereby


ORDERED that the following two classes be certified under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c)(1):

- (1) Minor Class: All children designated as unaccompanied alien minors who
  - (a) were, are being, or will be held in the custody of the Office of Refugee Resettlement (“ORR”) anywhere in Virginia at any date on or after July 20, 2018, and
  - (b) have been or will be held in ORR custody for 60 days or more.
- (2) Sponsor Class: All individuals, anywhere in the United States, who
  - (a) have initiated the process to sponsor a member of the Minor Class
  - (b) as a Category 1 or Category 2 sponsor
  - (c) by either (i) returning a family reunification packet to ORR or to an ORR-contracted caseworker or (ii) otherwise advising ORR or an ORR-contracted caseworker of their desire or willingness to sponsor the Minor Class member
  - (d) to whom the Minor Class member has not been released.

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Order to counsel of record.

Entered this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

Alexandria, Virginia

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Leonie M. Brinkema  
United States District Judge