

DECLARATION OF JAVIER N. MALDONADO, LAW OFFICE OF JAVIER N. MALDONADO, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

1. I, Javier N. Maldonado, make the following declaration based on my personal knowledge and declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 that the following is true and correct.
2. I am a licensed attorney and member in good standing of the Texas bar. Since March 2006, I have been in private practice representing individuals in criminal and immigration cases, as well as employment discrimination matters. For eight years, until 2021, I was on the Criminal Justice Act panel for the Western District of Texas, taking court-appointed criminal cases. At present, I take only private criminal defense cases. Prior to starting my private practice, from 2001 to 2006, I served as the Executive Director of the Texas Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. From 1999 to 2001, I worked as a Trial Attorney for the San Antonio Office of the Equal Employment and Opportunity Commission. Before that, from 1996 to 1999, I was a staff attorney with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF).
3. I have represented and currently represent clients in criminal custody with the United States Marshals Service (USMS) in Karnes County Correctional Center (Karnes), located at 810 Commerce Street, Karnes City, Texas, 78118. I have represented clients at Karnes since it became a USMS facility approximately 10 years ago. In my experience, Karnes has been accommodating to ensure attorney access, including procedures to schedule telephone calls, to conduct in-person visits in private attorney visitation rooms, and to send documents by email to the facility for my client's signature and return by fax. On some occasions, USMS will call my office to let me know one of my clients needed to speak with me.

Telephone Access

4. Karnes has a designated point of contact for scheduling attorney calls. My assistant will call a designated staff person and provide the name of the client and proposed dates and times for the scheduled calls. Usually, the facility will arrange the call within 2 to 3 days, but if it is a time-sensitive call, they are accommodating. Recently, I had a client who had a hearing the next day and the facility promptly arranged the call. There is no time limit on these calls. The calls are free and on an unmonitored line. It's my understanding that my clients make these calls from a separate room, though my clients have reported that sound can travel to people outside the room.

In Person Visitation

5. In-person visits occur in one of approximately five private attorney visitation rooms. These visits are contact visits, which allows for me to exchange documents with my clients. I can request permission to bring my laptop into the visit (such as when I need to review discovery with my client) from one of the officers in charge at the facility. Attorney visits are scheduled in advance, typically 2 to 3 days before a visit. However, as with scheduling

telephone calls, I have found Karnes to be accommodating of requests for urgent in-person meetings.

Access to Legal Documents

6. I generally use postal mail to send documents to my clients, and in my experience, clients receive mail in a timely fashion without more delay than the typical time it takes with the postal mail system. However, for time-sensitive documents that require a client's signature, Karnes facility staff will accept documents I send by email, obtain my client's signature, and fax those documents back to me.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 11th day of October, 2022 in San Antonio, Texas.



Javier N. Maldonado