

Judge James L. Robart
Magistrate Judge Michelle L. Peterson

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

JOSUE CASTAÑEDA JUAREZ, et al.,

Petitioners-Plaintiffs,

v.

NATHALIE ASHER, Director of the Seattle
Field Office of U.S. Immigration and Customs
Enforcement, et. Al.,

Respondents-Defendants.

Case No. 20-cv-700

**ORDER GRANTING PETITIONER-
PLAINTIFF J.A.M.'S UNOPPOSED
MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE
ORDER**

This matter comes before the Court on Petitioner-Plaintiff Unopposed Motion for a Protective Order permitting Petitioner-Plaintiff J.A.M. to proceed in this action using only the initials of his first and last names. Having given due respect to the submissions by the respective parties, it is HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Petitioner-Plaintiffs' motion is granted. There is a strong public interest in restricting the identity of asylum seekers from the public. See 8 C.F.R. §§ 208.6, 1208.6. Plaintiff J.A.M. has demonstrated a reasonable fear of severe retaliatory harm to himself and to family members still if his identity or location are disclosed; the public interest favors his remaining anonymous; and Defendants are not injured since his identity is not being withheld from them.

1 2. Plaintiff J.A.M. shall proceed in this action using only the initials of his first and last
2 names and his identity shall remain confidential to all but this Court and the Defendants.

3 3. Defendants shall use only J.A.M.'s initials in all of their filings in this case, including
4 all exhibits in which his name appears.

5 DATED this 15th day of May, 2020.

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7 MICHELLE L. PETERSON
8 United States Magistrate Judge

9 Respectfully submitted on this 14th day of May, 2020.

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