UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER

June 4, 2025

VARUN MANGEWALA, Complainant,)	
v.)))	8 U.S.C. § 1324b Proceeding OCAHO Case No. 2024B00051
SAIL INTERNET INC., Respondent.))))	

Appearances: Varun Mangewala, pro se Complainant

Collin D. Cook, Esq., David M. Shannon, Esq., Eryne Walvekar, Esq., and

Sharice S. Valenzuela, Esq., for Respondent

Stacey Young, Esq. and Erik Lang, Esq., for the United States

ORDER GRANTING COMPLAINANT'S MOTION TO AMEND MOTION TO COMPEL

On May 27, 2025, Complainant filed a Motion to Compel Discovery Responses.

On May 29, 2025, Complainant filed a Motion to Amend Motion to Compel Discovery Responses. Through the motion to amend, Complainant seeks to delete a paragraph citing and analyzing two OCAHO cases, which in Complainant's view "were mischaracterized and are not necessary to Complainant's core arguments." Mot. Amend 1. Attached to the motion is a copy of Complainant's revised Motion to Compel. Mot. Amend Ex. A.

OCAHO's rules provide that the Administrative Law Judge may "allow appropriate amendments to complaints and other pleadings at any time prior to the issuance of the Administrative Law Judge's final order based on the complaint" as long as "a determination of a controversy on the merits will be facilitated thereby." 28 C.F.R. § 68.9(e).

Complainant's proposed amendment will facilitate the Court's determination of this controversy on the merits, as it serves to fix a citation error. While the Court did not consider Respondent's

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¹ OCAHO's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 28 C.F.R. pt. 68 (2024).

position, it finds in such a circumstance it need not do so. The proposed amendment does not provide additional issues of substance, nor does it provide novel arguments. When a party seeks to clarify a legal citation, it is difficult to envision a scenario where the Court would be uninterested in such an update from a party. Furthermore, parties should feel encouraged to alert the Court as expeditiously as possible when they learn of an error in a pleading.

Complainant's Motion to Amend Motion to Compel Discovery Responses is GRANTED, and the Court will consider the revised version of the Motion. Respondent may respond to this revised Motion to Compel on or before June 23, 2025.

SO ORDERED.

Dated and entered on June 4, 2025.

Honorable Andrea R. Carroll-Tipton Administrative Law Judge