

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

February 25, 2026

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
	)	8 U.S.C. § 1324a Proceeding
v.	)	OCAHO Case No. 2025A00047
	)	
	)	
BLANCAS BEMIDJI, INC., D/B/A MI RANCHO,	)	
Respondent.	)	
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Appearances: Kenneth R. Knapp, Esq., for Complainant
Daniel L. Gerds, Esq., for Respondent

ORDER GRANTING ORAL JOINT MOTION TO DISMISS – FINAL ORDER

On February 25, 2026, the Court held a prehearing conference during which it received a joint motion to dismiss the case with prejudice pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 68.14(a)(2).¹ The Court granted that oral motion because the parties complied with the regulation in their request. All pending motions are DENIED as MOOT.

This case is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE. This is a Final Order which may become the Final Agency Order (Appeal information is attached). *See generally* 28 C.F.R. § 68.52(g).

SO ORDERED.

Dated and entered on February 25, 2026.

Honorable Andrea R. Carroll-Tipton
Administrative Law Judge

¹ “When parties... have entered into a settlement agreement they shall... [n]otify the Administrative Law Judge that the parties have reached a full settlement and have agreed to dismissal of the action. Dismissal of the action shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Law Judge, who may require the filing of the settlement agreement.”

Appeal Information

This order shall become the final agency order unless modified, vacated, or remanded by the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer (CAHO) or the Attorney General.

Provisions governing administrative reviews by the CAHO are set forth at 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(e)(7) and 28 C.F.R. pt. 68. Note in particular that a request for administrative review must be filed with the CAHO within ten (10) days of the date of this order, pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 68.54(a)(1).

Provisions governing the Attorney General's review of this order, or any CAHO order modifying or vacating this order, are set forth at 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(e)(7) and 28 C.F.R. pt. 68. Within thirty (30) days of the entry of a final order by the CAHO, or within sixty (60) days of the entry of an Administrative Law Judge's final order if the CAHO does not modify or vacate such order, the Attorney General may direct the CAHO to refer any final order to the Attorney General for review, pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 68.55.

A petition to review the final agency order may be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit within forty-five (45) days after the date of the final agency order pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(e)(8) and 28 C.F.R. § 68.56.