

EXHIBIT 1

3. Specifically, ICE's Enforcement and Removal Operations ("ERO") had planned an inaugural Citizens Academy to be held in Chicago in the fall of 2020. ICE's Homeland Security Investigations ("HSI") component has held Citizens Academy programs for years, but the process of selecting participants from the general public was not transparent. Nor was there any clarity in the community about the topics about which ICE was purporting to educate members of the public.

4. I have worked on immigration policing, including the entanglement of local law enforcement and ICE, for over 10 years, and have worked at OCAD for close to 4 years. At OCAD, I have led multiple campaigns to hold ICE accountable for violations of their policies and internal procedures. OCAD and other organizations have been fighting to pass ordinances and laws at the city and state level to prevent local police and ICE collaboration in targeting undocumented individuals. We also have accomplished the complete dismantling of the network of detention centers in the state of IL since 2022. OCAD has been leading the city and county area anti-deportation work for over 10 years in the city of Chicago.

5. I began my work with OCAD as one of the original co-founders of the organization. I was a volunteer supporter for 7 years before joining the staff team as a full-time employee overseeing the administrative procedures of the organization, finances, grant making and overseeing our community-driven litigation initiatives.

6. Publications on the topic of ICE policing that I have co-authored include, *Ending Immigration Detention in Illinois: Challenges and Lessons From the Implementation of the Illinois Way Forward Act* <https://www.nyulawreview.org/forum/2023/06/ending-immigration-detention-in-illinois/>. I also worked on a FOIA driven report done for how surveillance tools are used by local police and ICE to undermine Chicago's sanctuary welcoming city ordinance, <https://www.flipsnack.com/justfutures/the-digital-deportation-machine/full-view.html>.

Organized Communities Against Deportations

7. OCAD is based in Chicago and was founded in 2012. Since its founding, OCAD has focused on protecting the rights of immigrants at the intersection of the criminal legal and immigration systems. We support individuals and families facing deportation to resources and build public campaigns to highlight violations and improper procedures executed by ICE as an agency.
8. OCAD, while based in Chicago, is the first responder for the Family Support Network State Hotline funded by private foundations and the state of Illinois to provide resources related to deportation and other services. OCAD staff receives the calls in relation to ICE activity and deportation operations in Illinois and sometimes adjacent states. OCAD draws on collective analysis to best inform the immigrant community of information about individual rights when coming into contact with ICE officers.

9. In the past OCAD has used media attention to leverage our public campaigns to obtain discretion from ICE for certain individuals and stop the removal process of community members. We understand that highlighting to the media how ICE executes their activity produces a better understanding of how ICE operates and eases undocumented community members' lack of knowledge about how ICE activities might impact them.

The Chicago Citizen's Academy

10. In the beginning of summer 2020, at the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Chicago Field Office of ICE's Enforcement and Removal Office ("ERO") announced that they would launch a Citizens Academy in Chicago in September 2020. The announcement resulted in many immigrant rights organizations, led by OCAD and organizations such as Illinois Coalition For Immigrant and Refugee Rights ("ICIRR"), to petition and request the cancellation of this plan. Using tactics from a rally outside the ICE field office in downtown Chicago and a march taking up the streets that day to reject the idea of training civilians to target and support ICE's activities against the undocumented community in Chicago. A little more than two weeks prior to the planned start date, the Chicago Field Office announced that the Citizens Academy would be postponed, providing no reason for the decision. See Elvia Malagon, *ICE Postpones Controversial 'Citizens Academy' in Chicago*, CHI. SUN-TIMES (Sep. 3, 2020), available at <https://chicago.suntimes.com/2020/9/3/21421321/chicago-immigration-ice-citizens-academy-postponed>.

11. We submitted a FOIA request in July 2020, along with co-plaintiffs IDP and CCR, in an attempt to learn more about the curriculum of these programs in Chicago ERO as well as the programs of HSI offices around the country.

12. We received no information from ICE in response to our FOIA Request, and on May 11, 2021, OCAD, IDP and CCR filed suit in the Northern District of Illinois to compel production. We believed that ICE, as a federal agency, owed it to the public to be transparent about a program to train civilians in how ICE operates. We sought a range of information, including information related to which individuals from the general public were chosen to participate, what they needed to represent in their applications, how ICE selected field offices or jurisdictions to launch or cancel a Citizens Academy program, and how much these programs cost the public.

The Production of Documents

13. I have been part of the team reviewing the documents we have received in this litigation, and I am familiar with what we have requested, what we received, and what is missing.

14. Early in the litigation, in July 2021, before producing any documents, ICE through its counsel indicated openness for Plaintiffs, OCAD and IDP, to attend a future Citizens Academy program. But we did not hear further about this offer.

15. Plaintiffs repeatedly asked ICE to prioritize searches of the field offices of Chicago, New York, and Puerto Rico, because that was where our organizations wanted to focus our

advocacy and education related to the Citizens Academy program. But despite these repeated requests, we often received numerous documents from other jurisdictions before we received crucial information about Chicago, New York, or Puerto Rico.

16. ICE produced a total of 6,956 pages of documents in the years since we filed suit in federal court in May 2021. Very few of these records related to the budget or costs for the Citizens Academy around the country.
17. In fact, in the course of the litigation, ICE produced no documents at all from the Chicago Field Office of ERO, despite the fact that it had been planning and announcing a Citizens Academy program from at least as early as July, 2020. Based on the documents that I and others on my team reviewed, in other cities, planning for a Citizens Academy program began months in advance of the projected launch. However, although the Chicago Citizens Academy was postponed only two weeks prior to its expected start date in September 2020, ICE failed to produce any applications or other planning materials for the program.
18. Release of the records Plaintiffs requested is a matter of importance and urgency. ICE has held Citizens Academy programs throughout the country, has used taxpayer dollars to train civilians firearms familiarization and immigrant enforcement. Lack of transparency from ICE in Chicago and throughout the United States, including in heavily immigrant jurisdictions like New York, continues to terrorize immigrant communities. There is real fear that Citizens Academy programs could be held in these cities and others in the future.


I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dated: December 15, 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Antonio Gutierrez', written in a cursive style.

Antonio Gutierrez

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The HSI Citizens Academy program was created as a community outreach forum in which HSI special agents and managers can invite participants from local communities to learn more about the HSI mission through direct interaction and discussion with agency offices and personnel. Through the Citizens Academy program, HSI strives to enhance public awareness and understanding of HSI and its critical national security and public safety missions, and to build positive community involvement and interaction with the agency.

HSI Citizens Academy programs are developed by participating HSI field offices and are tailored to address specific topics of interest and unique needs of the respective communities they serve. The program typically entails three-hour sessions held after business hours one night a week over the course of seven to ten weeks. They do not confer any type of authority, benefit or entitlement, but do allow members of the community to gain a greater understanding of HSI's mission through hands-on activities and direct interaction with HSI special agents and managers.

The national roll-out of the HSI Citizens Academy program occurred in April 2019 based on HSI Citizens Academy models conducted in San Juan, New York, Tampa and Los Angeles in prior years.

Candidates are nominated by HSI employees, former Citizens Academy graduates and community leaders.

Participants are selected by the Special Agent in Charge of the local HSI SAC office.

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ICE launches inaugural citizens' academy

They visited York County Detention Facility, perused the Forensic Document Lab and spent time at a firing range, honing their marksmanship skills. They also hit the books, learning firsthand about U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) from some of the agency's leaders. They're the inaugural class of the ICE Citizens' Academy.

ICE's Office of Public Affairs began the ICE Citizens' Academy to provide members of the general public with an inside look at ICE and how the agency enforces immigration and customs laws. Over the course of nine weeks, a total of 19 individuals met once a week in one of two locations – Washington, D.C., and Baltimore.

For Blaine Young, president of Frederick County Commissioners in Frederick, Md., attending the Baltimore-based academy was an enlightening experience. Since Frederick County participates in the 287(g) program, Young is personally vested in learning about the agency and how its laws affect his community.

"I wanted to see if I could learn anything about ICE's immigration and enforcement program," said Young. "I learned that ICE has a budget to deport 400,000 people per year, and they try to deport the ones that are the biggest threat to us, the citizens, and national security."

Participants also learned a significant amount about Homeland Security Investigations, ICE's investigative arm. ICE's special agents conduct a variety of investigations ranging from drug trafficking to human smuggling to child exploitation.

The Baltimore and Washington, D.C. academies were part of a pilot program. After an initial assessment, the agency plans to roll out citizens' academies throughout the country.

"I would highly recommend to people on both sides of the spectrum – whether they think the government should be doing more or not be involved at all," said Young.

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Subject: ERO Chicago Rollout for Monday

Hi all.

Here's the ERO Chicago Citizen's Academy roll out plan for Monday. We have one outstanding media interview slated for Monday; Barbara will be speaking with the Chicago Univision affiliate. (b) (6), (b) (7) I know you mentioned you had concerns moving forward with the news release. We can reassess the plan, if necessary. Thanks, all.

ERO Chicago Citizen's Academy Rollout

Strategy and Timing

- **Monday, July 13 at 10 am EST: Press Release to website/social media hits**
- **Monday, July 13 at 11 am EST: OPE Spanish Language interview:** Local Univision's Viviana Avila will interview Barbara Gonzalez, AD for ICE's Office of Public Engagement

NEWS RELEASE

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SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA:

- ERO Chicago to offer community members an opportunity to learn more about the agency's mission this fall (link to press release)
- During the interactive program, participants will hear directly from ERO officers & learn about ICE policies & procedures. (1/2)
- The Citizen's Academy also affords ICE the opportunity to hear from participants, understand their perspectives and debunk myths. (2/2)
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If needed:

- Law enforcement orgs from the federal to local level have been hosting citizens academies for years to educate and foster good relationships within a community. (1/2)

- In a time where relationships between the public and law enforcement are being scrutinized, reports that ICE is attempting to recruit citizens to spy on their neighbors is both false and intentionally misleading. (2/2)

Q&A

Q: Are you training citizens on how to conduct immigration enforcement?

A: No, the academy is a mechanism to educate and dispel misinformation about the agency's mission. ICE ERO Citizen's Academy is modeled after other law enforcement agency academies including ICE's Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), U.S. Customs and Border Protection, FBI and local police departments – all with the goal of directly engaging and educating the public.

Q: Why Chicago, a sanctuary city in a sanctuary state, for the inaugural class?

A: The misunderstanding, anger and confusion of what the agency does daily nationwide and in Chicago is exactly why the academy is needed. The academy is also designed as an opportunity for ICE to hear from the community to build a bridge, or at the least, start a conversation.

Q: What do you mean by "participate in scenario-based training and exercises...including, but not limited to defensive tactics, firearms familiarization, and targeted arrests?" Will they be given guns?

A: Like other law enforcement academies, there are demonstrations on firearms, self-defense and de-escalation tactics.

ICE will not issue weapons or firearms to members of the community.

Q: Who can apply and how?

A: ERO Chicago is looking for a diverse set of influential community leaders – regardless of their stance on ICE – to apply. Participants must be able to pass a background check and commit to the full schedule. Those interested in applying can request an application by sending an email to CommunityRelations.Chicago@ice.dhs.gov.

Q: Aren't you worried about COVID-19?

A: ERO Chicago is working closely with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as well as other federal, state and local agencies to ensure personal health and safety during the academy. Participants will be issued Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and will be expected to adhere to social distancing guidelines. Because of these guidelines, space is limited for the first iteration of the ERO Chicago Citizen's Academy.

Q: Good use of taxpayers' dollars?

A: This is an opportunity for taxpayers to see their tax dollars at work. The academy's schedule, held during standard duty hours, was designed with current operations in mind. The

community will benefit from having a day-in-the life perspective of our officers and how and why individuals are targeted for immigration enforcement.

Q: How many have applied? How many spots available?

A: In the first week of the application window, launched July 2, we have received 20 applications. Due to limited space, the first class is expected to include 10 to 12 participants.

Q: Desired applicants?

A: Chicago ERO is looking for a diverse set of influential leaders in their communities.

Q: Can members of the media apply?

A: Members of the media are encouraged to apply as community representatives, not in their official capacity as journalists.

Already Occurred

- **Thursday, July 2: Application letter** to Stakeholders (below)
- **Tuesday, July 7: Congressional notifications** via OCR
- **Tuesday, July 7: Statement** (below) released, along with additional information addressing misunderstandings, to various media outlets
- **Thursday, July 9 and Friday, July 10: FOD Guadian Interview:** WBEZ-NPR Chicago; **OPE officials** interview with FOX Los Angeles, Telemundo National, Telemundo Chicago, NBC affiliate, WMAQ-TV.

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Subject: RE: DRAFT NR: Chicago ICE officers to host first ERO Citizen's Academy

Hi Carissa. Good flag.

I initially thought the same too. But I'm okay with it as written using that version we cleared for ERO. Of course our goal is to have key stakeholders, especially at first. But we also do want to give members of the public (not representing any organizations) an opportunity down the road.

Please let us know on timing when you get a chance.

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Hi folks.

One flag on this, when we launched the HSI Citizen's Academy, the field offices were adamant that they did not want an open call to the public for academy participants. Instead, they relied on existing community relationships to invite individuals to participate in the inaugural academies. Jenny, I noticed you changed the lead on the news release to focus on this. If everyone else is good with this, I am, but wanted to point that out. Thanks, all.

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Hello.

Here's how the news release is shaping up to be (attached and pasted below). CHI FOD approves. It has not gone through Issue Paper Chain

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Thank you!

Nicole

ISSUE: Press release announcing Chicago ERO's Citizen Academy. There has been immense interest, from both the media and advocates. Most media has been interested in general information; however, some national outlets and advocates have claimed ICE is training private citizens to make immigration arrests. Others call to halt the academy.

Chicago ICE officers to host first ERO Citizen's Academy

CHICAGO — U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) announces its inaugural Citizens Academy, scheduled to begin Sept. 15.

Modeled after other law enforcement agencies academies, including ICE's Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), FBI, and local police departments, ICE ERO's academy's goal is to directly engage and educate the public.

"The Academy is a natural progression from the outreach work we have already been doing with our community," said Field Office Director Robert Guadian, ERO Chicago, "Our community meetings are only a few hours long but this is a six-week opportunity for the community to get to know our officers and understand our mission."

During the interactive six-day program, occurring weekly for six weeks, students will hear directly from ICE officers and be able to ask questions about ICE policies and procedures. Conversely, the Citizens Academy affords ICE the opportunity to hear from participants and learn from their perspectives and debunk myths.

The goal of the program is for participants to become familiar with how ICE enforces the federal immigration laws enacted by Congress. Participants will have the opportunity to get a "day-in-the-life" perspective of sworn law enforcement officers and their work behind every immigration arrest.

The curriculum will include, but is not limited to, classroom instruction, visiting an immigration detention center, learning more about the health care ICE provides to those in its custody, and examining ICE's role in ensuring dignity, respect and due process of an immigration case from start to finish.

ICE is inviting interested participants from a variety of stakeholder backgrounds such as community groups, state and local elected leaders, Congressional staff, consular officials and business and religious leaders.

Space is limited and participants must be able to commit to the complete course and pass a background check. Interested applicants should email CommunityRelations.Chicago@ice.dhs.gov to receive an application. Applications must be received by Thursday, July 30.

Chicago ERO is working closely with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and other federal, state, and local agencies to ensure personal health and safety during the academy. Participants will be issued Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and will be expected to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

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EXHIBIT 6

*Enforcement and Removal Operations
Chicago Field Office*

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

To whom it may concern:

You have been identified as a valued member of the community who may have interest in participating in the inaugural class of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Chicago Citizens Academy.

The ERO Citizens Academy (ECA) is an interactive 6-day program, occurring one day a week over 6 weeks. This first of its kind, the Chicago ECA will serve as a pilot for nationwide implementation. During the ECA, participants will gain insight into the many facets and responsibilities of ICE/ERO operations, and hopefully an awareness and appreciation of the issues our officers face every day in the performance of their duties. We also want to learn from you, our key stakeholders, so I look forward to your participation.

Your valued participation will build a strong foundation of knowledge for those intrigued by the ERO mission. The curriculum includes an introduction to ERO Chicago staff, mapping the lifecycle of a subject through ERO, including the role of the Office of Principal Legal Advisor (OPLA). Attendees will participate in scenario-based training and exercises conducted in a safe and positive environment, including, but not limited to defensive tactics, firearms familiarization, and targeted arrests.

The ECA will be held every Tuesday from 2 – 6 p.m.; it will commence on **Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020**, and conclude on Tuesday, October 20, 2020. The ECA will be held at the Chicago Field Office; 101 W Ida B. Wells Parkway, Suite 4000, Chicago, IL., as well as other locations in the area based on the learning objectives. After completion of the ECA, a graduation ceremony will be held on Friday, Oct. 23, 2020; graduates will be awarded a certificate and a commemorative coin. Continuing Education Credits (CEUs) may be available upon request.

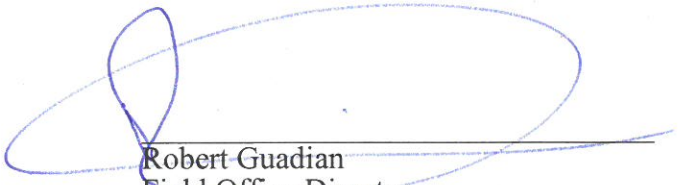
Your personal health and safety are our priority. Participants will be issued Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), and we will adhere to social distancing guidelines. ERO is working closely with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and other federal, state, and local agencies to facilitate a speedy, whole-of-government response in confronting Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), keeping everyone safe, and helping detect and slow the spread of the virus.

ERO Citizens Academy

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If you can commit to the ERO Chicago Citizens Academy timelines, please fill out the attached application and return to CommunityRelations.Chicago@ice.dhs.gov by Thursday, July 30, 2020 to ensure full consideration. If you have additional questions, please contact Manda Walters, Community Relations Officer via the email address above or call (312) 956-9251.

Sincerely,



Robert Guadian
Field Office Director

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Citizen's Academy Application

Personal Information

Legal Name: (b) (6) _____
(last) (first) (middle)

List all other names you have used (nicknames, maiden name, etc):
N/A

If you have ever used any other surname or legally changed your name, please list the date, court, and circumstances. (legal name change through marriage does not need to be explained)
NO

Date of Birth: (b) (6) _____ Place of Birth: DUBLIN, IRELAND
(city) (state) (country)
Gender: Male Female Social Security Number: (b) (6) _____
Current Citizenship: USA _____ Acquired by: Birth Marriage Naturalization

Contact Information

Current Address: (b) (6) _____
Phone Number: (516) 797 (b) (6) _____ Email Address: (b) (6) _____
Emergency Contact: (b) (6) _____ Phone Number: (516) 308 (b) (6) _____
Relationship: SPOUSE _____

Employment Information

Current Employer & Address: (b) (6) _____
(b) (6) _____
Job Title: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR _____

Explain your duties and your employer's mission: Developed and now teach courses in computer forensics and intelligence. Manage a computer forensics lab, which produces research in support of law enforcement. Placement of students with government agencies - many of whom are forensics investigators.

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Purpose of Application

Please explain why you want to attend the HSI New York Citizen’s Academy:

I would like to learn more about the work of HSI and the idea of receiving hands-on experience is very exciting and an education that would greatly benefit me. Much of the research work that I currently conduct is in support of agencies like DHS. Many of my students do end up working for DHS as I am Co-Principal Investigator on a large Scholarship for Service grant. It will help me explain to my students about the types of careers that they be successful in.

Through your personal or professional leadership position(s), please explain how you would share the information you learn from HSI:

Of course I would only share information that HSI has authorized me to share. However, in 2017 I will be (b) (6) which supports training for many digital forensics and cyber investigators in law enforcement, and attending this tremendous training will benefit me in selecting the right speakers and themes for the year. I also want to know about the latest threats to our national security and how I and my students can contribute

List any organizations or associations to which you belong:

(b) (6)

Commitment

Out of consideration to other applicants, do you agree to attend ALL sessions of the HSI New York Citizen’s Academy? YES NO

Other Information

Have you ever attended another agency’s Citizen’s Academy? YES NO
If yes, state which one and the dates: _____

Authorization to Conduct Criminal History Check

Have you ever been CHARGED with a felony offense? YES NO
Have you ever been CONVICTED of a felony offense? YES NO

If yes, please provide details including date, location, arresting agency, charge and disposition:

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I hereby authorize HSI to conduct a standard check of law enforcement records on me. I understand this check will include, but may not be limited to, any record of charges, prosecutions or convictions for criminal or civil offenses. This check will be used for the purpose of the HSI New York Citizen's Academy application process. My consent is valid for three months from the date authorized below. Any information obtained will be used for the purpose of providing clearance to participate in the HSI New York Citizen's Academy.

I understand that my acceptance into the HSI New York Citizen's Academy is not guaranteed and is at the discretion of HSI.

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12/07/2016

Date

PRIVACY ACT NOTICE

AUTHORITY: 5 USC 5701-5733, §§ 5721-5733, 8 USC § 103 and Executive Order 9397. PRINCIPLE PURPOSE(S): This information is being collected for the sole purpose of determining your suitability for participation in the HSI New York Citizen's Academy. ROUTINE USE(S): "The information on this form may be disclosed as generally permitted under 5 USC § 552a(b) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended.

DISCLOSURE: The disclosure of information on this form is voluntary; however, failure to provide the information requested may prevent the person from participating in the HSI New York Citizen's Academy.

Please return this application to the HSI New York Citizen's Academy Selection Committee. We look forward to your participation!

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	First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	Citizenship	Job Function
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2	(b)	(6)	(b)	USA	(b) (6)
3	(b)	(6)	(b)	USA	(b) (6)
4	(b)	(6)	(b)	USA	(b) (6)
5	(b)	(6)	(b)	USA	(b) (6)
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7	(b)	(6)	(b)	USA	(b) (6)
8	(b)	(6)	(b)	USA	(b) (6)
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11	(b)	(6)	(b)	USA	(b) (6)
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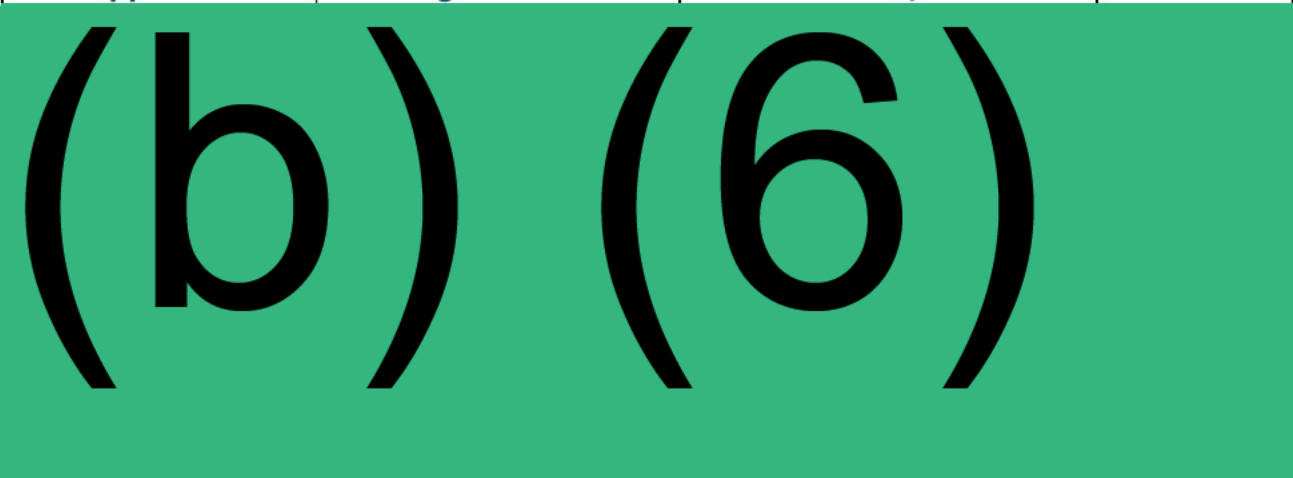

Applicant	Organization	Position/Title	Phone
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ICE HSI Tampa graduates latest Citizens' Academy

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TAMPA – U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tampa Special Agent in Charge (SAC) office graduated their annual Citizens’ Academy last week.

“The HSI Tampa Citizens’ Academy has grown to be a cornerstone of our office’s community outreach and media engagement,” said HSI Tampa acting Special Agent in Charge Kevin Sibley. “Our local HSI leadership is continually impressed by the quality of the academy members, but also their enthusiasm in learning about what HSI employees do to keep our community and our nation safe on a daily basis.”

To honor the class, HSI’s acting Executive Associate Director Alysa Erichs, was on hand to join Sibley in presenting the class graduation certificates.

The graduating members are: Michael Batista, office of U.S. Rep. Charlie Crist; Daniela Carrion, Linesch Law Firm; Veronica Cintron, Spectrum Bay News 9; Monica Cook, Mad Mobile; Rod Davis, St. Petersburg College; Michael Dexter, Hillsborough County Public Schools; James Giardina, The Consumer Rights Law Group; Dotti Groover-Skipper, HeartDance Foundation; Glenda Hudson, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services; Natalie Kehn, U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking; Arlene Marie, Course of Action Foundation and All American Music Production; Kylie McGivern, ABC Action News; Marta Montero, Hillsborough County Victim Assistance Service; and Terri Wallace, Ryan Nece Foundation.

“I am so grateful for the opportunity of the HSI Citizens Academy,” said Montero. “I sleep better at night knowing how hard HSI works to keep us and the entire community safer.”

During the eight-week course, HSI Tampa special agents introduced participants to national security, financial, narcotics, cyber, global trade, human smuggling/trafficking, and child exploitation investigations. Special agents led participants through a series of real-world experiences and investigative activities. These exercises included learning how to conduct surveillance, interview suspects, plan an operation, apply for and execute a search warrant, and arrest an individual. While taking part in hands-on activities, such as basic defensive tactics and entry techniques, participants also explored topics such as when the use of force is justified, decision making in dangerous, stressful circumstances, and the importance of cooperation and collaboration across federal, state and local agencies and with the community. Members of the Citizens Academy gained a greater understanding of the mission of HSI and the role of law enforcement in protecting national security.

Participants for the academy were nominated by local HSI employees and previous Citizen’s Academy graduates for inclusion in the program. Once nominated, the interested community members had to apply and undergo a limited background check before ultimately being selected to participate. The HSI Tampa Citizens’ Academy received more applicants than there were slots available, so acceptance was limited, but the office is already looking forward to hosting the next class.

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HSI New York graduates its inaugural Citizens Academy

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NEW YORK — On Wednesday, March 15, 19 New York City citizens, representing business, not-for-profit organizations, academia and community groups, graduated from the inaugural U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) New York Citizens Academy. The ceremony was held in the

Ceremonial Courtroom of the Eastern District of New York (EDNY), in Brooklyn, New York. The keynote speaker during the ceremony was U.S. District Court Judge Hon. Sterling Johnson, Jr. Judge Johnson underscored the importance of law enforcement and community working together to address the many public safety and national security challenges that our nation faces.

The 19 community leaders selected to attend the academy underwent an eight-week course where they experienced a unique opportunity to learn about the agency in an active environment that included classroom instruction as well as practical exercises. Academy participants were afforded a unique insight as to how HSI enforces more than 400 statutes focused on border security, transnational crime and national security.

“The Citizens Academy Program is an opportunity for community leaders to better understand the tough decisions that law enforcement professionals make on a daily basis, as well as forging a strong partnership with New York City citizens from all walks of life. One of the most important takeaways for participants, is to see firsthand the commitment and dedication of the men and women of HSI to making our city and nation more secure,” said Angel M. Melendez, special agent in charge of HSI New York. “After graduation, beyond the classroom and the simulator, we now have strong advocates for our agency and life-long friends.”

The program provided for hands-on and interactive activities to keep participants engaged leading to a memorable experience for both the students and agents. It included a behind the scenes look at HSI New York’s Border Enforcement Security Task Force airport and seaport operations, El Dorado Task Force financial investigations, Operation Community Shield transnational gangs investigations, Trade Enforcement operations regarding intellectual property rights violations and human exploitation investigations concerning human smuggling and sex trafficking.

“I made many new friends for life from both the agent group and my fellow Academy members. This is no accident. Rather, it is a testament to the wonderful HSI folks who conceived of and executed the program, chose the participants/participating agents, and made it conducive to learn and forge strong personal relationships,” said David B. Chenkin, Esq., partner at Zeichner Ellman & Krause LLP and Academy participant. “I am honored to be considered part of the family and pledge to continue to be an enthusiastic ambassador for HSI and all law enforcement!”

“The Academy showcased the diverse HSI mission and offered citizen partners with a unique chance to try to put themselves in the shoes of law enforcement,” said Karen Hennigan, director and associate general counsel for Citigroup, Inc. and Academy participant. “The results were eye opening, at times hilarious, but always informative and ultimately invaluable for all of us. It built critical understanding and fostered partnership in a unique way that we hope will help us all be better citizen partners to the HSI family.”

Through this academy, HSI was able to identify itself with the community it serves and protects while allowing the community to interact and learn from actual special agents. Recognizing the importance of law enforcement partners, HSI recognizes U.S. Customs & Border Protection, U.S. Marshals Service EDNY and the U.S. Attorney’s Office at EDNY for their invaluable support in making this first academy a huge success.

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HSI Seattle Citizens Academy Alumni Newsletter

Volume 1, Issue 1, Winter 2020

HSI Seattle Welcomes New SAC

- In this issue:
- Welcoming our New SAC
 - Human Trafficking Prevention Month
 - 2019 Highlights
 - CA in the News
 - Announcements

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has named (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) as the new special agent in charge of the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) office based in Seattle.

As special agent in charge, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) a 25-year veteran of federal law enforcement, supervises a cadre of special agents, auditors, analysts, and support staff responsible for investigative work across Alaska, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.



(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) comes to Seattle with a wealth of knowledge gleaned from decades of federal service. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) began her career in 1991 serving as a customs inspector with the U.S. Customs Service and went on to join the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service as a special agent, group supervisor and assistant special agent in charge in Los Angeles, California. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) continued her service with HSI as the Chief of the National Gang and (b)(7)(E) at HSI headquarters in Washington, DC. From there, she served as deputy special in charge in New York City and acting special agent in charge in Newark, New Jersey.

Prior to accepting the position as HSI special agent in charge in Seattle, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) served in key executive leadership positions within HSI headquarters, including deputy assistant director for HSI Domestic Operations. Most recently, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) served as acting assistant director for Domestic Operations, where she oversaw the activities of all of HSI's special agent in charge field offices.

Special Agent (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) holds both a bachelor's degree in political science from Alcorn State University and a juris doctorate from Loyola Law School. Parker is a member of the Senior Executive Service (SES).

"I'm happy to have been selected to be a part of such a stellar law enforcement team. HSI has an important, complex mission set and agents in the Pacific Northwest face unique challenges. I've seen firsthand just how passionate these agents are about protecting their community, passion that is evident by the remarkable enforcement successes throughout the region. I'm honored to be joining their ranks and the ranks of our local, state and federal law enforcement partners."
- SAC, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



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WHAT YOU CAN DO TO STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING

JOIN THE DHS BLUE CAMPAIGN

- Visit the Blue Campaign website: dhs.gov/blue-campaign
- Learn more about the signs and indicators of human trafficking: dhs.gov/blue-campaign/awareness-training
- Spread the word—download and share anti-human trafficking materials: dhs.gov/blue-campaign/resource-catalog
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BE AN INFORMED CONSUMER

Know who makes the products you buy and the food you eat to help keep slavery locked away out of your home.

Visit the Department of Labor list of goods that could be subject to human trafficking at dhs.gov/labelsports/child-labor/list-of-goods

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- To contact federal law enforcement, call 1-866-DHS-2-ICE
- Or submit a tip online at www.ice.gov/tips

For victim support from the National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTC), call 1-888-215-7000 or text HELP or NHTC to 2333725.

Help us bring the crime out of the shadows and into the light. Join the Blue Campaign.



Human Trafficking Prevention Month

January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month, but every day around the globe, HSI agents work to uncover, dismantle and disrupt human trafficking.

HSI victim assistance specialists work tirelessly to ensure victims have access to the rights and services to which they are entitled by law, as well as the assistance they need so that they can participate actively and fully in the criminal justice system process.

The Parole and Law Enforcement Programs Unit manages all requests from law enforcement for Continued Presence, ensuring that foreign nationals identified as victims of human trafficking who are potential witnesses can remain lawfully in the United States and be authorized to work.

HSI employs a victim-centered approach, where equal value is placed on the identification and stabilization of victims, as well as the investigation and prosecution of traffickers. This ongoing work is complemented by HSI's partnerships with service providers, state and local law enforcement, other federal agencies, and industry partners.

The Blue Campaign is the Department of Homeland Security's unified and comprehensive campaign to raise awareness about human trafficking. DHS has made a variety of free training materials, brochures, and videos to help the public identify indicators of human trafficking. Make a 2020 resolution to join in this effort to raise awareness and combat the scourge of modern-day slavery.

For more information and resources, please visit [our feature story on human trafficking](#).

HSI's Record-Setting Year

HSI's end-of-year report, highlighting significant achievements in combatting transnational criminal threats against the United States in Fiscal Year 2019, is [available here](#).

In FY 2019, HSI:

- Conducted a record-high 37,547 criminal arrests, almost a 10 percent increase from FY18, as well as the seizure of more than \$775 million in currency and assets from criminal proceeds. HSI Seattle's asset seizures included [four properties](#) linked to an international drug trafficking organization.
- Arrested 2,197 criminals associated with human trafficking, a 38 percent increase from FY18, as well as identified and/or assisted 428 victims of human trafficking in FY19, a 39 percent increase from the previous year.
- Seized more than 12,450 lbs. of opioids in FY19 – a record-breaking amount – exceeding FY18 seizures by more than 2,500 lbs. HSI also seized more than 3,600 lbs. of fentanyl and made more than 1,900 fentanyl-related arrests in FY19, which are both substantially higher than FY18 figures. HSI also seized more than 145,000 lbs. of methamphetamine in FY19. Locally, an HSI investigation resulted in a seven year prison sentence for a Seattle man who had sold [thousands of doses of fentanyl on the dark web](#).
- Continued its fight against child predators and transnational gangs in FY19. In FY19, HSI arrested 3,957 child predators as well as rescued or identified 1,069 victims. Locally, HSI agents in the Seattle area of responsibility arrested hundreds of individuals for child pornography violations, including a youth sports coach, elementary school music teacher, nurse assistant, suspected rapist, child sex tourist and a number of other previously convicted, registered sex offenders. [Read more about these local cases here](#).



Citizens Academy in the News

The inaugural session of the HSI Seattle Citizens Academy is the subject of graduate (b)(5) (b)(5) January 19 article in The Spokesman-Review. [Read it here!](#)

Announcements

- ◆ We are in the planning stages for our next Citizens Academy, and invite you to stay involved and shape the future of this program. Please take [our survey](#) and share your feedback with us.
- ◆ The highest compliment you can pay us is to nominate a colleague for our next Citizens Academy. To request a nomination form, please contact Melissa at (b)(7)(E)@ice.dhs.gov
- ◆ Thank you for reading the first edition of the HSI Seattle Citizens Academy Alumni Newsletter. This newsletter will be published quarterly, and we would love to hear from you! We invite you to submit news, updates, highlights, and success stories to share with HSI Seattle and your fellow alums.

EXHIBIT 12

Headline: Class of 2018 graduates from HSI New York Citizens Academy

On Friday, March 30, HSI New York held its second annual Citizens Academy graduation ceremony at the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York Daniel Patrick Moynihan Courthouse in Manhattan.

A group of 18 New York City area community leaders comprised of lawyers, entrepreneurs, bank anti-money laundering specialists and city officials participated in the ceremony, which was the culmination of an eight-week course where attendees experienced a unique opportunity to learn about the agency in an active environment that included classroom instruction, practical exercises and real-world exercises, similar to those which agents experience in training.

Each graduate was presented with a certificate and HSI gear that included a special edition challenge coin.

“Our goal is to improve communication and offer a better, more accurate understanding of our agency’s vital national security mission. Our efforts to uphold public safety for all Americans are strengthened by your knowledge and support of what we do,” HSI Acting Executive Associate Director Derek Benner told the graduates.

During the academy -- which met once a week -- HSI personnel covered the overall programmatic areas that the agency covers with representatives in each division engaging the participants regarding the El Dorado financial crimes division, the computer forensics lab and our cyber division, human trafficking and child exploitation.

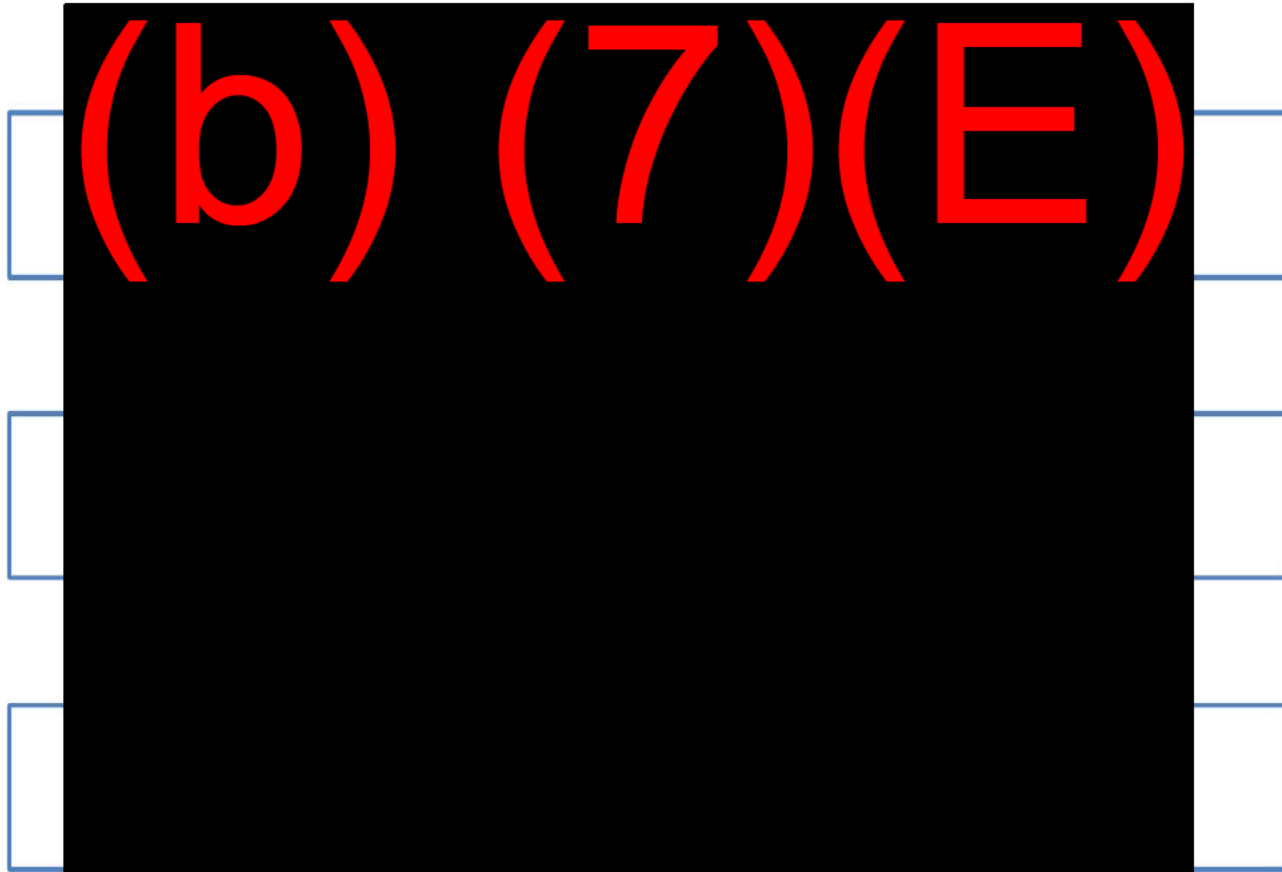
Students engaged with CPB and spent separate days at JFK International Airport and at the Port of New York so they could see the field operations up close and understand how HSI works with its law enforcement partners during investigations.

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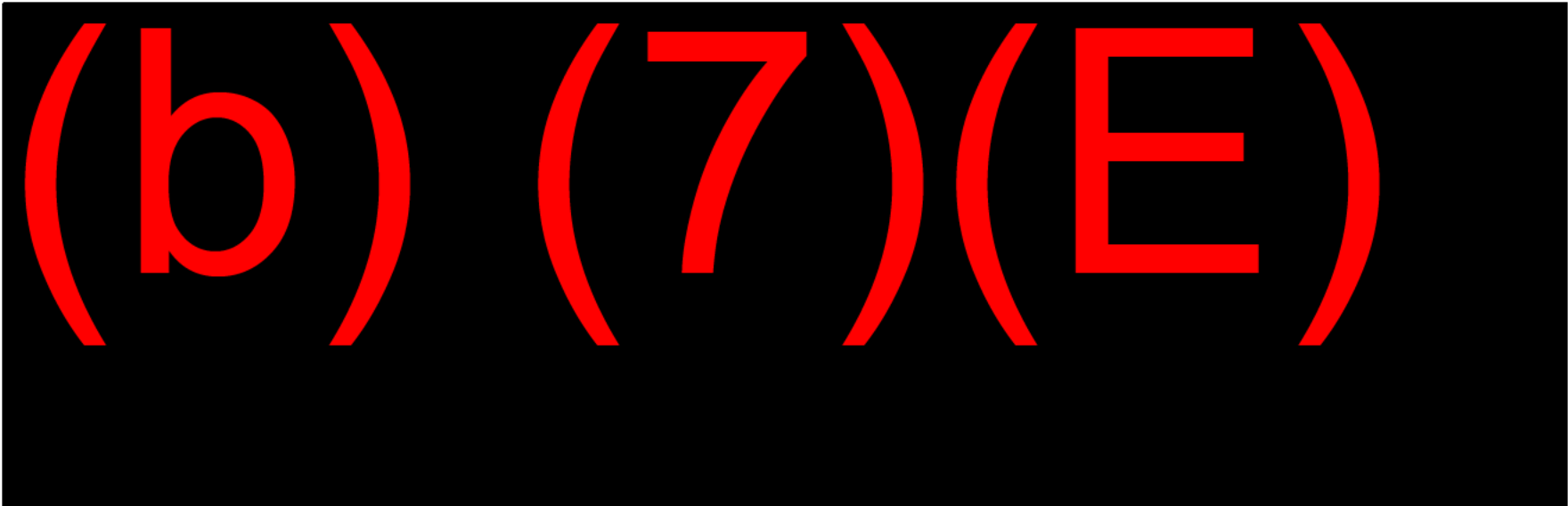
The ICE Citizens' Academy was launched in 2012 to provide members of the general public with an inside look at ICE and how the agency enforces immigration and customs laws.

EXHIBIT 13

Question Type – Behavior Provoking



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