

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

EBLAL ZAKZOK, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

Civil Action No.: 1:17-cv-02969-GLR

v.

DONALD TRUMP, in his official capacity
as President of the United States, *et al.*,

Defendants.

DECLARATION OF JANE DOE #3

I, [REDACTED] known as Jane Doe #3 for the purposes of this case, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, hereby submit this declaration pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746 and declare as follows:

1. I am a United States citizen. I was born in Somalia and am Muslim. I came to the United States in 2006 as a refugee fleeing the horrific, war-torn conditions in Somalia. I obtained my U.S. citizenship in 2012.

2. I live and work in Minnesota, where I am a health care assistant at a hospital. All of my family lives in Minnesota.

3. In April 2016, I became engaged to be married. My fiancé is from Somalia and currently lives in Malaysia, where he has lived since 2008 and is obtaining a Master's Degree in Finance. He has a student visa to study in Malaysia, but is scheduled to graduate this month (October 2017), after which time he will no longer be able to remain in Malaysia on his student visa.

4. My fiancé and I have planned that he will come to Minnesota after finishing his Master's Degree and that we will marry as soon as he arrives in the United States, and start a family. My fiancé also plans to get a job using his Master's Degree; his skill, labor, and finances will help us to build a family. Being separated from my fiancé has been very difficult and has put a strain on our relationship. I never want us to be separated again.

5. In December 2016, I filed an I-129F petition with the United States Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS) for my fiancé to come to the United States. The USCIS approved the I-129F petition in March 2017. After the petition was approved, my fiancé applied for a K-1 visa with the U.S. State Department. He was interviewed by a consular official in Malaysia and has provided the government with all of the information it has requested. However, the visa has not yet been granted.

6. I understand that if President Trump's Proclamation goes into effect, my fiancé will be prohibited from obtaining a visa, even though he has not been to Somalia for almost a decade.

7. Since the Proclamation, I have felt very upset and hopeless. I also feel nervous and anxious when interacting with other people.

8. I am afraid that I will never be able to marry and build a life and family with the person I love. The uncertainty of not knowing whether my fiancé will ever be able to come to the United States has affected my relationship with him and given me

nightmares. The situation has also affected my physical health. I am diabetic, and when there is a lot of stress in my life, it is difficult to control my blood sugar levels.

9. I believe that the Proclamation is motivated by a desire to stigmatize Muslims and treats me like a second class citizen. I am an American citizen — I came to the United States legally and passed the citizenship test — but the Proclamation denies Muslims our rights and treats us differently in our own country. I personally feel stigmatized by the Proclamation.

10. I have noticed people treating me differently since the Proclamation was announced. When people on social media learn that I am from Somalia, they respond with hurtful messages and ask if I am in the United States legally. I am afraid that when I travel in the future, I will be pulled aside for additional screening and questioning because my passport states that I was born in Somalia. I am afraid that I will be isolated and separated from my fellow American citizens.

11. It is important to me to remain anonymous in this lawsuit. I am afraid that if I reveal my identity, my fiancé's visa will be jeopardized because of my participation in this lawsuit.

12. I am also afraid of the backlash that might result if I cannot proceed anonymously. I have already faced a lot of backlash from people on social media just because I am from Somalia. If my identity is revealed in a lawsuit against the government, I am afraid there will be anti-Muslim retaliation against me.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Burnsville, Minnesota on October 9, 2017.

