

No. 25-1519

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT**

**J.O.P., *et al.*,
Plaintiffs - Appellees,
v.**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, *et al.*,
Defendants – Appellants.**

**APPELLANTS' UNCONTESTED MOTION
FOR VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL OF APPEAL**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 42(b)(2), Defendants-Appellants hereby move to voluntarily dismiss this appeal.

A decision whether, and to what extent, to appeal must be made by the Office of the Solicitor General. *See* 28 C.F.R. § 0.20(b). Pursuant to that authority, the Office of the Solicitor General has authorized Defendants-Appellants to seek voluntary dismissal of this appeal.

On February 26, 2026, counsel for Defendants-Appellants conferred with Plaintiffs'-Appellees' counsel, who consented to Defendants-Appellants' instant motion.

Dated: February 26, 2026

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I further certify that on February 26, 2026, I caused a copy of this motion to be served, by the Notice of Docketing Activity generated by the Fourth Circuit's electronic filing system, on counsel of record.

Dated: February 26, 2026

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