

# What does an administrative warrant look like?

This is issued by DHS, NOT a court

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Warrant for Arrest of Alien

File No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To: Any immigration officer authorized pursuant to sections 236 and 287 of the Immigration and Nationality Act and part 287 of title 8, Code of Federal Regulations, to serve warrants of arrest for immigration violations

I have determined that there is probable cause to believe that \_\_\_\_\_ is removable from the United States. This determination is based upon:

- the execution of a charging document to initiate removal proceedings against the subject;
- the pendency of ongoing removal proceedings against the subject;
- the failure to establish admissibility subsequent to deferred inspection;
- biometric confirmation of the subject's identity and a records check of federal databases that affirmatively indicate, by themselves or in addition to other reliable information, that the subject either lacks immigration status or notwithstanding such status is removable under U.S. immigration law; and/or
- statements made voluntarily by the subject to an immigration officer and/or other reliable evidence that affirmatively indicate the subject either lacks immigration status or notwithstanding such status is removable under U.S. immigration law.

YOU ARE COMMANDED to arrest and take into custody for removal proceedings under the Immigration and Nationality Act, the above-named alien.

*Signed by an immigration officer, NOT a judge*

*(Signature of Authorized Immigration Officer)*

*(Printed Name and Title of Authorized Immigration Officer)*

## Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that the Warrant for Arrest of Alien was served by me at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Location)

on \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, and the contents of this  
(Name of Alien) (Date of Service)

notice were read to him or her in the \_\_\_\_\_ language.  
(Language)

Name and Signature of Officer

Name or Number of Interpreter (if applicable)

This is an ICE administrative warrant. It does NOT authorize immigration agents to enter your home!

Form I-200 (Rev. 09/16)

# Another example

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

**WARRANT OF REMOVAL/DEPORTATION**

This is a warrant for an immigration violation, a civil offense, not a crime. This does not give ICE the right to enter your home

A number \_\_\_\_\_

File No: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To any immigration officer of the United States Department of Homeland Security:

(Full name of alien)

who entered the United States at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Place of entry) (Date of entry)

is subject to removal/deportation from the United States, based upon a final order by:

an immigration judge in exclusion, deportation, or removal proceedings  
 a designated official  
 the Board of Immigration Appeals  
 a United States District or Magistrate Court Judge

and pursuant to the following provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act:

This order is directed at federal immigration officers, not local police. Federal regulations only give ICE agents the authority to execute an immigration warrant.

I, the undersigned officer of the United States, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Secretary of Homeland Security under the laws of the United States and by his or her direction, command you to take into custody and remove from the United States the above \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, pursuant to law, at the expense of:

Many removal orders are issued by ICE or CBP agents without a hearing before a judge. These include expedited removal orders or administrative removal orders.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of immigration officer)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title of immigration officer)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date and office location)

**SAMPLE**

# Key components of an administrative warrant

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File No. _____	
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Name of **agency**; says warrant for arrest of “alien”

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Authorizes **immigration officer** under the INA

Signed by an officer! **NOT a judge!**

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Signed by an immigration officer, NOT a judge

(Signature of Authorized Immigration Officer)

(Printed Name and Title of Authorized Immigration Officer)

# What does a judicial warrant look like?

# Key components of a judicial warrant

AO 93 (Rev. 12/09) Search and Seizure Warrant (USAO CDCA Rev. 01/2013)

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
for the  
Central District of California

13-2895M

In the Matter of the Search of  
(Briefly describe the property to be searched  
or identify the person by name and address)  
LG (VX9100) cellular telephone

SEARCH AND SEIZURE WARRANT

To: Any authorized law enforcement officer

Case number, note that it does not start with A

Indicates that this is a warrant to "search/seize" and also specific — the warrant must state what they are looking for. It may

Very specific date and time  
and **SIGNED BY A JUDGE**

Date and time issued: 11-4-13 11:30 am

City and state: Los Angeles, California

ALICIA G. ROSENBERG  
Judge's signature

Alicia G. Rosenberg, U.S. Magistrate Judge  
Printed name and title