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Name: ELKENAWI, ELSAID ELSAYED

A088-426-340

Date of this notice: 3/26/2012

Enclosed is a copy of the Board's decision and order in the above-referenced case.

Sincerely,

Donne Carr

Donna Carr Chief Clerk

Enclosure

Panel Members:

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Decision of the Board of Immigration Appeals

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: A088 426 340 - El Paso, TX

Date:

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In re: ELSAID ELSAYED ELKENAWI

IN REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS

**APPEAL** 

ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT: Spiro Serras, Esquire

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Michael Pleters

**Assistant Chief Counsel** 

APPLICATION: Continuance

The record will be remanded. According to the transcript of the first hearing on June 17, 2008, the court asked the respondent if he had a copy of the Notice to Appear. The Immigration Judge then continued proceedings to allow the respondent to review the allegations and charge of removability before proceeding to the possibility of relief from removal (Tr. at 3-4). However, no actual pleadings to the Notice to Appear were ever taken at the continued hearing on October 7, 2008, or anytime thereafter. On appeal, the respondent asserts the record does not establish his removability by clear and convincing evidence, and the Immigration Judge also did not find him removable on the record. See also Motion for Change of Venue (respondent did not admit allegation 4).

Since the record fails to contain the respondent's pleadings to the NTA, it will be returned to the Immigration Judge for further proceedings and for the entry of a new decision limited to the issue of removability. Upon preparation of a new decision, the Immigration Judge shall issue an order administratively returning the record to the Board. The court shall serve the administrative return order on both parties, and they will be afforded an opportunity to submit new briefs to the Board, as provided by regulation.

ORDER: The record is returned to the Immigration Court for further action as necessary.

FOR THE BOARD

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION COURT El Paso, Texas

File No.: A 088 426 340

March 25, 2010

In the Matter of

ELSAID ELSAYED ELKENAWI

IN REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS

Respondent

CHARGE:

Section 237(a)(1)(B) of the Immigration Act, nonimmigrant that has stayed in the United States for

a time longer than permitted.

APPLICATIONS: None presented.

ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT:

ON BEHALF OF DHS:

Sami Beshay, Attorney

Michael Pleters

New York, New York

Assistant Chief Counsel

Homeland Security El Paso, Texas

### ORAL DECISION OF THE IMMIGRATION JUDGE

The respondent is a 44-year-old married male, native and citizen of Egypt. On November 5, 2007, the Department of Homeland Security issued a Notice to Appear, Exhibit 1, charging that the respondent be removed from the United States under the provisions of Section 237(a)(1)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as a non-immigrant that has remained in the United States for a time longer than permitted.

The respondent, through counsel, admitted the factual allegations and conceded the charge of removability. Based on those admissions and concessions, the Court was satisfied the

respondent was removable, as charged, and so did find. Egypt will be directed as the country of removal.

The respondent, during the course of the hearing, through counsel, had asked for several continuances. Those continuances focused, in part, on the respondent's applications relating to an I-290 process. Apparently, the respondent was trying to obtain a immigrant petition. The Court provided continuances for that purpose. It is noted that the case has been on the calendar in Immigration Court since January 2008.

In the fall of 2009, the respondent, apparently, had his appeal denied by the Bureau of Citizenship Immigration Services. The case was continued, once again, prior to today's date, because the respondent's counsel indicated the respondent would like to seek, at least, voluntary departure.

On today's date, the respondent's counsel indicated that his client no longer chose voluntary departure or seeks any form of relief, but instead, would ask for a continuance to see if, in fact, there could be some other petitions filed on his behalf. There appears to be no pending petitions that the Court believes would serve justice in having the case further continued, therefore, further continuances were denied.

The Court confirmed with respondent, directly, that he did not wish to seek any relief from removal but, again, wanted to be able to still remain in the United States.

Since there is no relief filed before this Court and no

justified reason was found to continue the case the Court will, therefore, then issue an order of removal in this case.

# **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, therefore, that the respondent be removed from the United States to Egypt on the charge contained on the Notice to Appear.

ROBERT S. HOUGH Immigration Judge

#### CERTIFICATE PAGE

I hereby certify that the attached proceeding before JUDGE ROBERT S. HOUGH, in the matter of:

#### ELSAID ELSAYED ELKENAWI

A 088 426 340

El Paso, Texas

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