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

Sincerely,

Jonne Carr

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In re: JOSE MANUEL ZAMORA-ROSAS a.k.a. Jose Manuel Zamora

IN REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS

MOTION

ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT: Pro se¹

APPLICATION: Reconsideration

This proceeding has been before the Board, as well as the Immigration Judge, on several occasions. Most recently, the Board dismissed the respondent's appeal of an Immigration Judge's denial of a motion to reopen an in absentia order. The respondent has now filed a timely motion to reconsider our March 28, 2016, decision. Section 240(c)(6) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1229a(c)(6).

The motion to reconsider is granted. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.2(b); *Matter of O-S-G-*, 24 I&N Dec. 56 (BIA 2006). The Immigration Judge found that a Notice of Entry of Appearance (Form EOIR-28) had been filed by the respondent's former counsel (IJ Dec. dated 12/4/14 at pp. 3-4, n. 2 and n. 6), and that former counsel did not withdraw his notice of appearance prior to the time that the Board mailed its decision to him and the Immigration Judge scheduled and mailed a new hearing notice on remand. (BIA Dec. dated 3/28/16 at 1-2; IJ Dec. dated 12/4/14 at 4).

The respondent is correct that his former counsel did not file a new Notice of Entry of Appearance after the Board remanded proceedings. We therefore agree with the respondent that the Notice of Hearing should not have been mailed to former counsel. Rather, the Notice of Hearing should have been mailed directly to the respondent.²

Since the respondent did not receive proper notice of his hearing, the motion shall be granted. Further, the Immigration Judge's in absentia order and order denying reopening, as well as the Board's March 28, 2016, decision, are vacated, and the record shall be remanded. Accordingly, the following orders shall be issued.

ORDER: The motion to reconsider is granted.

FURTHER ORDER: The record is remanded for further proceedings in accordance with this decision.

FOR THE BOARD

¹ The respondent is treated as pro se because his counsel did not submit a Notice of Entry of Appearance with the motion.

² Current practice advises counsel to file a new entry of appearance if a proceeding is remanded. Immigration Court Practices Mataual 88,32 b (b) (i) sand 42.3 (6) 9 728 (BIA July 18, 2016)