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## Discrimination, Detention, and Deportation: Immigration & Refugees

**<https://ccrjustice.org/home/get-involved/tools-resources/videos/8-year-old-guatemalan-boy-dies-border-patrol-custody-days>**

## Policy Issue Resources

For the second time this month, a Guatemalan child has died in the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Eight-year-old Felipe Gmez Alonzo died in New Mexico on Christmas Eve, after being detained since December 18. This follows the death of a 7-year-old indigenous Guatemalan girl, Jakelin Caal Maqun, who died on December 8, two days after she and her father presented themselves at the border in a bid for asylum. Meanwhile, the Supreme Court has rejected President Trump's asylum ban, which attempted to deny asylum to anyone entering the country from outside of a legal port of entry. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts joined the liberal wing of the court in the 5-4 vote. Democracy Now! spoke with Center for Constitutional Rights Legal Director [Baher Azmy](#) about the lawsuit we helped file.

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