

# United States Court of Appeals

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

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**No. 02-5251**

**September Term, 2002**

**02cv00828**

**Filed On: September 13, 2002**

[701827]

Khaled A. F. Al Odah, Next Friend of Fawzi Khalid  
Abdullah Fahad Al Odah, et al.,  
Appellants

v.

United States of America, et al.,  
Appellees

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**02-5284**

**02cv01130**

Mamdouh Habib and Maha Habib, as next friend of  
Mamdouh Habib,  
Appellants

v.

George W. Bush, President of the United States, et al.,  
Appellees

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**02-5288**

**02cv00299**

Shafiq Rasul, et al.,  
Appellants

v.

George W. Bush, President of the United States, et al.,  
Appellees

**BEFORE:** Edwards, Rogers, and Tatel, Circuit Judges

## **ORDER**

Upon consideration of the unopposed motion to consolidate No. 02-5284 with No. 02-5288, and the motions to expedite filed in Nos. 02-5284 and 02-5288, it is

**ORDERED** that the motion to consolidate be granted. It is

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**FURTHER ORDERED** that the motions to expedite be granted. It is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, on the court's own motion, that consolidated Nos. 02-5284 and 02-5288 be consolidated with No. 02-5251. It is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that the following briefing format and schedule apply in all three consolidated cases:

Joint Brief for Appellants Habib and Rasul (not to exceed 14,000 words)	—	September 24, 2002
Brief for Appellant Odah (not to exceed 14,000 words)	—	September 24, 2002
Joint Appendix	—	September 24, 2002
Appellees' Brief (not to exceed 14,000 words)	—	October 18, 2002
Joint Reply Brief for Appellants Habib and Rasul (not to exceed 7,000 words)	—	October 29, 2002
Reply Brief for Appellant Odah (not to exceed 7,000 words)	—	October 29, 2002

Absent extraordinarily compelling circumstances, the court will not grant any modification of these provisions. The parties are directed to file and serve their briefs by hand. The oral argument date and composition of the merits panel will be established by separate order.

**Per Curiam**