

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW
IMMIGRATION COURT**

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In the Matter of the Application for Asylum, : Honorable Steven Abrams
Withholding of Removal, and Relief Under the :
Torture Convention of XXX, :
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In Removal Proceedings : Affidavit of XXX
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AFFIDAVIT OF XXX

I, XXX, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that the following is true and correct:

1. My name is XXX. I am a native and citizen of Brazil. Fearing for my safety and life, I fled Brazil. I make this affidavit in support of my application for asylum, or, in the alternative, withholding of removal, or relief under the Torture Convention.
2. My pro bono attorneys, Davis Polk & Wardwell, working in conjunction with the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, have helped me prepare this affidavit.
3. As set forth below, I seek asylum in the United States because, as a gay Brazilian man, I have faced police harassment and torture, and endured the Brazilian government's unwillingness to protect me from anti-gay gangs. I was raped and beaten so severely that I had no choice but to flee my home in Brazil and seek refuge in the United States. I fear that if I