Federal Judge releases two more immigrant detainees from ICE custody due to COVID-19

U.S. District Court Judge William G. Young ordered the release of two individuals from ICE's (Immigrant and Customs Enforcement) custody at the Bristol County House of Correction on Tuesday.

ICE has not commented on whether they will enforce their right to monitor the individuals utilizing ankle bracelets.

While some of the 50 released to date were a result of a class-action lawsuit filed by the ACLU, an unknown number were voluntarily released by ICE.

Pre-existing medical conditions place many people at high-risk to the COVID-19 virus and are said to be the root cause for their release. Since by its very nature a jail or prison houses inmates in close quarters these inmates are considered at danger.

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency's guidance for detaining immigrants is stated to be on their official website "...to facilitate a speedy, whole-of-government response in confronting Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), keeping everyone safe, and helping detect and slow the spread of the virus."

You can find out more about their policy and protocols when it comes to detaining immigrants here