

# + How the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) Has Been Used in Immigration Enforcement Cases

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The **Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA)** allows individuals to seek compensation from the U.S. government for certain harms caused by federal employees acting within the scope of their work. In the immigration enforcement context, FTCA claims have been filed after incidents involving unlawful arrests and detention, physical injury, use of force, emotional trauma, property damage, and death caused by ICE, CBP, and other federal officers. **The examples below show how the FTCA has been used in recent immigration enforcement-related cases.**

**Chicago, IL:** [Chicago Ald. Jessie Fuentes files claim after being placed in handcuffs by federal agents](#)

**Chicago, IL:** [Man hospitalized after being detained by federal agents in Melrose Park](#)

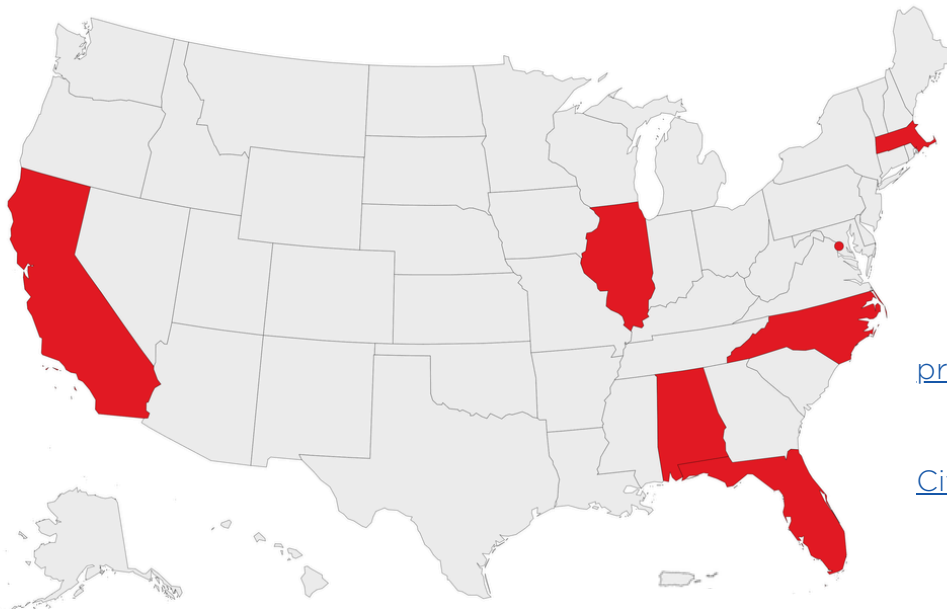
**Chelsea, MA:** [Family Files Federal Complaint After Masked ICE Agents Shatter Car Window, Drag Passenger Out Of Car On Way To Church](#)

**Chelsea, MA:** [Family With Legal Status Files Civil Rights Complaint After ICE Brutality](#)

**East Boston, MA:** [East Boston Father Held for Two Days in Inhumane Conditions After ICE Ignored His Legal Status](#)

**Camarillo, CA:** [Arrested by ICE and Held for Three Days without Communication or a Hearing; Citizen and Veteran Sues Feds](#)

**Camarillo, CA:** [Family of Glass House worker files wrongful death claim over ICE raid](#)



**Washington, DC:** [Venezuelan man deported to CECOT prison sues U.S. for \\$1.3 million](#)

**Charlotte, NC:** [U.S. Citizen Represented by Civil Rights Groups Files Federal Claims After Violent Immigration Stop in Charlotte](#)

**Marina Del Rey, CA:** [Elderly U.S. Citizen Body Slammed by ICE and Border Patrol Agents During Van Nuys Raid Files \\$50 Million Civil Rights Claim](#)

**Los Angeles, CA:** [Civil Rights Lawsuit on Behalf of U.S. Citizen Detained by ICE](#)

**Southern California:** [Southern California attorneys file legal claims against U.S. government for civil rights violations during immigration enforcement](#)

**South Alabama:** [U.S. Citizen's Lawsuit Demands an End to Unconstitutional Raids and Detentions at Alabama Construction Sites](#)

**Florida:** [U.S. citizen released from immigration hold prepares for potential lawsuit, claiming wrongful arrest](#)