

# USA Marriage Visa Application Pack

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Marriages between US citizens and those of another country are commonplace in the United States. The US government prides itself in its ethnic diversity.

The best way to get your spouse to the USA to live with you legally once the marriage has taken place is for him / her to file for a **Nonimmigrant visa for spouse (K-3)**. This visa can only be issued from the country where the wedding took place. If you apply for this visa your spouse must apply for the Immigrant visa when your spouse arrives in the US. This will not give your spouse permanent resident status but it will allow them to come over to the USA after the wedding. To gain permanent residence you must act as your spouse's sponsor and file for an **Immigrant visa for a Spouse of a U.S. Citizen (IR1 or CR1)**. This is an immigrant Petition for an Alien Relative.

This information pack explains everything you need to know about bringing your foreign wife or husband to the United States on both of the above Marriage Visas.

**Applications for both visas are included in this Application Pack.**

The US Department of State (DOS) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has strict rules about who it lets in to study in the US. It is vital that all prospective applicants apply for a visa in the correct category using the correct application forms. Failure to submit the form correctly and accurately can result in delays and sometimes denial. Failure to submit the correct supporting documents or to lie in your application can lead to a denial and in many cases you will not be allowed to apply for a US visa for a period of ten years.

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### **Qualifying for a USA Marriage Visa**

A spouse is a legally wedded husband or wife. Merely living together does not qualify a marriage for immigration. Common-law spouses may qualify as spouses for immigration, but only if the laws of the country where the common-law marriage occurs recognizes common-law marriages and grants them all the same rights and obligations as a traditional marriage. In cases of polygamy, only the first spouse may qualify as a spouse for immigration.

It is the responsibility of the American spouse to file an immigration petition as the sponsor of the foreign spouse to come to live in the United States as a permanent legal resident.

There is no minimum age to file a petition for a spouse for immigration. However, you must be 18 years of age and live permanently in the U.S. before you can sign the Affidavit of Support, Form I-864, and this form is required for an immigrant visa for spouses and other relatives of U.S. sponsors.

If you were married before, you and your spouse must both show that you ended (terminated) all previous marriages before your current marriage. The death and divorce documents that show termination of marriages must be legal and verifiable in the country that issued them. Divorces must be final. In cases of legal marriage to two or more spouses at the same time, or marriages overlapping for a period of time, you can file only for your first spouse.

If you have been married for less than two years when your spouse enters the United States on an immigrant visa, the permanent resident status is considered “conditional.” The immigrant visa is a conditional resident (CR) visa, not an immediate relative (IR) visa.

You and your spouse must apply together to the Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to remove the “condition” within the ninety days before the two year anniversary of your spouse’s entry into the United States on an immigrant visa. The two-year anniversary date of entry is the date of expiration on the alien registration card (green card).

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### **US Visa Ineligibility:**

There are several classes of people who are inadmissible to the US under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), based on:

- Health related grounds – these could be people with communicable diseases or without proper vaccinations
- Criminal or related grounds – for example, controlled substance traffickers
- Security and related grounds – these include members of terrorist organizations
- Likely to become public charge, meaning people who will not be able to support themselves based on their age, health or other conditions
- Illegal entrants, immigration violators, or previously removed from the US

To find more information about persons, inadmissible to the US, you can go the relevant sections of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

In some cases an ineligible person can apply for a waiver of ineligibility and still get a visa. This can happen if it was a minor crime and they can prove they have rehabilitated from it, or, alternatively, a long time has passed after the crime was committed.

### **Length of Stay**

If you have been married for less than two years when your spouse enters the United States on an immigrant visa, the permanent resident status is considered “conditional.” The immigrant visa is a conditional resident (CR) visa, not an immediate relative (IR) visa.

You and your spouse must apply together to the Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to remove the “condition” within the ninety days before the two year anniversary of your spouse’s entry into the United States on an immigrant visa. The two-year anniversary date of entry is the date of expiration on the alien registration card (green card)

The K-3 visa will entitle you spouse to stay in the US for four months from the date of approval. A consular officer can extend the validity of the petition (revalidate the petition) if it expires before you finish processing the Immigrant Visa for Immediate or Conditional Relative.. Once the immigrant visa is approved, the K-3 visa is automatically cancelled.

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## Work Entitlement

As an Immediate Relative on an Immigrant Visa your spouse will be able to work in the US.

As a K-3 visa holder, you can file form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization with the USCIS that serves the area where you live for an employment authorization document (work permit).

## Dependants

Your spouse may bring any Immediate Relatives and dependent children to live with them in the United States providing you can prove that as their sponsor you can support them and providing he/she can prove the relationship status to the interviewing officer. This means that birth certificates proving parental status must be filed along with notarized consent forms from the other parent or a death certificate if you spouse is widowed. Your spouse can apply to bring dependents classified as **Family Second Preference (F2)**: Spouses, minor children, and unmarried sons and daughters (over age 20) of lawful permanent residents.

The US Immigration Authorities class Immediate Relatives of U.S. Citizens (IR) as spouse, children, and parents. Only family members of United States citizens (not Legal Permanent Residents) can file Immediate Relative Petitions.

For immigration purposes, Immediate Relative classifications include:

- Spouse of a U.S. Citizen (IR-1)
- Unmarried Child Under 21 Years of Age of a U.S. Citizen
- Orphan adopted abroad by a U.S. Citizen (IR-3)
- Orphan to be adopted in the United States by a U.S. citizen (IR-4)
- Parent of a U.S. Citizen who is at least 21 years old (IR-5)

K-3 visa applicants can apply to bring over their dependent children under the **K-4** visa

### **Using an Immigration Agent**

You can easily file the application forms for both the Non-Immigrant visa and the Immigrant Visa for your spouse however some sponsoring applicants choose to use an immigration attorney or an immigration agent to act on their behalf. This is reflected in the USCIS application processing; every applicant receives **Form DS-3032**, which is included in this information pack, where they must detail the name of an immigration agent if they have one. If you appoint an agent or immigration attorney most correspondence will be sent to the immigration agent including instructions on the immigration procedure.

### **Completing the Application Form**

As your spouse's sponsor you must apply for an Immigrant Visa to bring him / her to live with you in the US. Your spouse will not be able to enter the US until you have this visa unless they have applied independently for a K-3 Non-immigrant visa in their country of residence. Much effort must be put into proving your financial standing as a sponsor and into demonstrating that the wedding was legal and genuine.

A separate form must be filed for each eligible relative. USCIS processes Form I-130, Petition for Alien Relative, as a visa number becomes available. Filing and approval of an I-130 is only the first step in helping a relative immigrate to the United States. Eligible family members must wait until there is a visa number available before they can apply for an immigrant visa or adjustment of status to a lawful permanent resident. sign the Affidavit of Support, Form I-864, and this form is required for an immigrant visa for spouses and other relatives of U.S. sponsors. You next file Petition for Alien Fiancé(e), **Form I-129F** for your spouse and children.



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### Applying for a Non Immigrant Visa for Spouse K-3

Your spouse can file for a Non Immigrant Visa for Spouse known as **K-3** visa. They should do this at the US Embassy or Consulate in the country they live in. Click this link to find the nearest Embassy or Consulate:

<http://www.usembassy.gov/>

The benefit of applying for this visa is that it will allow your partner immediate access to the US and will help the two of you avoid a lengthy period of separation whilst waiting for the processing of their Immigrant Visa for permanent residence.

You should allow three months for the processing and issuing of your spouse's K-3 visa. If the National Visa Center in New Hampshire have already received and checked your petition for an Immigrant Visa for Alien Relative, they will notify the American Embassy in the country where she / he is making their K-3 visa application.

You should provide your spouse with any paperwork you have received from the National Visa Center to validate your spouse's application.

Your spouse must pay a machine readable visa application fee in local currency (equivalent to \$131) at one of the US Embassy approved banks – the embassy visa website will inform you which banks are accepted in your spouse's country of residence. The bank will give you a receipt. You must ensure that this form is machine-validated by the bank with check-rite

**Important Notice:** The U.S. Embassies and Consulates listed below require all nonimmigrant visa applicants to apply for their visa using the new DS-160 Online Nonimmigrant Visa Electronic Application, instead of the nonimmigrant application forms DS-156, 157, 158, and other related forms:

Afghanistan [Kabul](#) Algeria [Algiers](#) Australia [Melbourne](#) [Perth](#) [Sydney](#) Austria [Vienna](#) Barbados [Bridgetown](#) Bermuda [Hamilton](#) Canada [Montreal](#) [Toronto](#) [Vancouver](#) China [Beijing](#) [Chengdu](#) [Guangzhou](#) [Shanghai](#) [Shenyang](#) Colombia [Bogota](#) Egypt [Cairo](#) Ethiopia [Addis Ababa](#) France [Paris](#) Germany [Berlin](#) [Frankfurt](#) [Munich](#) Hong Kong [Hong Kong](#) India [Chennai](#) [Hyderabad](#) [Kolkata](#) [Mumbai](#) [New Dehli](#) Indonesia [Surabaya](#) Iraq [Baghdad](#) Ireland [Dublin](#) Israel [Tel Aviv](#) Jerusalem [Jerusalem](#) Jordan [Amman](#) Kenya [Nairobi](#) Lebanon [Beirut](#) Libya [Tripoli](#) Malaysia [Kuala Lumpur](#) Mexico [Ciudad Juarez](#) [Guadalajara](#) [Hermosillo](#) [Matamoros](#) [Merida](#) [Mexico City](#) [Monterrey](#)

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[Nogales](#) [Nuevo Laredo](#) [Tijuana](#) Moldova [Chisinau](#) Montenegro [Podgorica](#) Morocco [Casablanca](#)  
Nigeria [Abuja](#) [Lagos](#) Oman [Muscat](#) Pakistan [Islamabad](#) [Karachi](#) Romania [Bucharest](#) Russia  
[Moscow](#) [St. Petersburg](#) [Vladivostok](#) [Yekaterinburg](#) Saudi Arabia [Dhahran](#) [Jeddah](#) [Riyadh](#) Syria  
[Damascus](#) Turkey [Ankara](#) [Istanbul](#) United Arab Emirates [Abu Dhabi](#) [Dubai](#) United Kingdom  
[London](#) Venezuela [Caracas](#)

Click this link to access the **DS-160** online application: <https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/>

If your spouse cannot file DS-160 they should complete the following application forms:

**Form DS-156**, Nonimmigrant Visa Applicant: This form has a unique barcode generated with every application. You should download this form online at <http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/108128.pdf>

**Form DS-157** Supplemental Nonimmigrant Visa Application must be completed by male applicants. This form provides additional information about your spouse's travel plans. Submission of this completed form is required for all male applicants between 16-45 years of age. It is also required for all applicants from state sponsors of terrorism age 16 and over, irrespective of gender, without exception. Four countries are now designated as state sponsors of terrorism, including Cuba, Syria, Sudan, and Iran.

A copy of this form must be printed off and taken along to your spouse's visa interview. Whilst you have one year from the date of payment to schedule your visa appointment, it is wise to schedule an Immigrant Visa appointment with the US Embassy Immigrant Visa Unit for your spouse to attend as soon as possible.

### Document Check List for K-3 Non Immigrant Visa

- Passport valid for six months beyond the intended date of entry into the United States
- All other previously issued passports or notarized affidavits of loss
- Original birth certificate
- Original divorce or death certificate of any previous spouse
- Original marriage certificate
- Police certificate from all places lived since age 16
- Results of the medical examination
- Evidence of financial support **Form 1-864** Affidavit of Support Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration, **Form DS-230**, both Part I and Part II

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- Two recent photographs measuring 2"x 2." The pictures must show the front of your wife's face against a white background. Her hair must be styled behind her ears and she must not wear any glasses or head scarves. The photograph should be attached to the visa application.
- Machine readable payment slip proving visa processing fees
- **Form DS-156**
- **Form DS-157 (males only)**

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### Supporting Documents

**Passport(s)** valid for six months beyond the intended date of entry into the United States

**Birth certificate**

**Divorce or death certificate** of any previous spouse

**Marriage certificate**

**Police certificate** from all places lived since age 16

**Medical examination**

**Form I-864** Affidavit of Support. Evidence of the sponsor's financial support must be included  
Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration, **Form DS-230**, both Part I and Part II

**Two immigrant visa photos**

**Proof of the marriage** and the husband/wife relationship

**Payment receipt of immigrant processing fees**

An applicant may bring marriage photographs and other proof that the marriage is genuine. Documents in foreign languages should be translated by a certified translator. The consular officer may ask for more information. Take clear, legible photocopies of civil documents, such as birth and marriage certificates, to the immigrant visa interview. Original documents can then be returned to you.

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### Visa Interviews

After approximately one month the sponsoring applicant will receive a letter informing them of their interview date. Both you and your spouse must attend along with any immigration attorney or agent. When you receive your application pack from the National Visa Center (NVC) you will automatically be allotted an appointment time for a visa interview.

For Non-Immigrant Visas, your spouse will be able to attend a local interview in the country they reside in. They should arrive one hour earlier than your scheduled appointment time so that your application can be checked; applicants who arrive late will lose their appointment slot. If your partner needs a translator for the visa interview you should let the interviewing officer know. The Embassy will provide a translator for him /her and do not allow friends or relatives to act as her interpreter.

At the start of the interview biometric data will be collected including a 10-digit fingerprint scan. Your spouse must then present her passport and **Form DS-156** to the immigration officer who will determine if he needs to see further documents. At the end of the interview your spouse will be informed if he/she has qualified for her K-3 visa and she will have to wait 7 to 10 working days to get her passport couriered back to her with the US visa stamp in it. Courier charges must be paid directly to the US Embassy's approved courier.

### **Fingerprinting, Medical and Personal Data**

Your visa application must include a photograph and biometric data such as your fingerprints. Biometric information is classed as facial images and fingerprints. This information is stored on a US government database and will be accessed to check your criminal record or in the event of you being involved in a criminal act either as a victim or a perpetrator. You must give your biometric data at US embassy consular section in the country where you are applying for your US visa. When you attend your biometric interview you will be asked to put your fingers on a glass screen so that a digital photograph of your fingerprints can be taken. You will then be asked to sit before a camera so that your digital photo can be taken. The whole procedure takes around 5 to 10 minutes although appointments are scheduled at half hourly intervals.

Your spouse must have a medical with a physician at the US Embassy's approved location in his/her country of residence. The physician will determine if your spouse has a communicable disease of public health significance like HIV/AIDS. If he/she has, he/she will not qualify for a US visa. Your spouse should also take her vaccination record so that the physician can determine if he/she has had all of the necessary vaccinations required to qualify for an immigrant visa. If he/she has not had them, the physician will give them to her, but not in one go. The required immunizations are:

- Acellular pertussis
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Human papillomavirus (HPV)
- Influenza
- Influenza type b (Hib)
- Measles
- Meningococcal
- Mumps
- Pneumococcal
- Pertussis
- Polio
- Rotovirus
- Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids
- Varicella
- Zoster

### Processing Your Spousal Immigrant Visa Application

When Form I-130, an Immigrant Petition for Alien Relative is received the **USCIS send you Form I-797** known as a 'Notice of Action' to acknowledge receipt of your application. You must keep this document in a safe place in case your spouse's visa petition gets lost or mislaid.

After a Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) office in the United States approves the petition, it sends the petition to the National Visa Center (NVC). When an applicant's priority meets the most recent Qualifying Date, the NVC will contact the applicant and petitioner with instructions for submitting the appropriate processing fees. After the appropriate processing fees are paid, the NVC will again contact the applicant and petitioner to request that the necessary immigrant visa documentation be submitted to the NVC.

If you **ARE** working with an attorney, the NVC will take the following steps:

1. Assigns a case number to the petition.
2. Send the Affidavit of Support processing fee bill and the immigrant visa fee bill to the attorney.
3. After the Affidavit of Support processing fee is paid, the NVC will send the Affidavit of Support Process and the Applicant Document Process instructions to the attorney.
4. After the Affidavit of Support and Applicant documents are submitted to the NVC, the NVC will review the information submitted for technical correctness and completeness.
5. After reviewing the submitted documentation, and the file is complete with all the required documents, the NVC will send the petition to the embassy or consulate where the applicant will apply for a visa when the case file is complete. For certain embassies/consulates, the NVC will schedule the applicant's interview. Approximately one month before the applicant's scheduled interview appointment with a consular officer, all interested parties (applicant, petitioner, and attorney) will receive an appointment letter containing the date and time of the applicant's visa interview along with instructions for obtaining a medical examination.

If you **ARE NOT** working with an attorney, the NVC will take the following steps:

1. Assigns a case number to the petition.
2. Sends **Form DS-3032**, Choice of Address and Agent, to the applicant and the Affidavit of Support processing fee bill to the petitioner.

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3. After the applicant selects an agent, the NVC will send the immigrant visa processing fee bill to the agent. Note: The agent does not need to be an attorney.
4. After the immigrant visa application processing fee has been paid, the NVC will send instructions to the agent, which explains the Applicant Document Process.
5. After the Applicant documents are submitted to the NVC, the NVC will review the information submitted for technical correctness and completeness.
6. After the Affidavit of Support processing fee is paid, the NVC will send an instruction letter to the petitioner, which explains the Affidavit of Support Process.
7. After the Affidavit of Support documents are submitted to the NVC, the NVC will review the information submitted for technical correctness and completeness.
8. After reviewing the submitted documentation, and the file is complete with all the required documents, the NVC will send the petition to the embassy or consulate where the applicant will apply for a visa when the case file is complete. For certain embassies/consulates, the NVC will schedule the applicant's interview. Approximately one month before the applicant's scheduled interview appointment with a consular officer, all interested parties (applicant, petitioner, and third-party agent, if applicable) will receive an appointment letter containing the date and time of the applicant's visa interview along with instructions for obtaining a medical examination.

**Note:** It is important to follow instructions from the NVC carefully. Send the NVC documentation (or paying fees) when they were not requested by the NVC will result in a delay in processing.

Providing your Immigrant Visa Application passes the NVC checks and you have paid the visa processing fees, the application is then sent to the US Embassy or Consulate nearest where you live in the US.

Your spouse must take the medical papers with his/her from his/her medical exam in their home country. If a significant amount of time has elapsed since the medical exam was conducted, he/she should take another, again producing details of his/her vaccination record.

You and your spouse must bring proof of the validity of the marriage to the interview; this includes a valid marriage license translated into English, copies of wedding photos and if you have one, details of a joint bank account etc. It is better to bring along as much proof as possible to show the immigration officer that the marriage is 'real'.

If either you or your Filipino wife were previously married you must bring proof of an annulment, a valid divorce decree or a copy of your previous spouse's death certificate



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translated into English. You will also need to bring all of the documents listed below. It is best to bring clear readable copies as well as the originals so that the interviewing official can return your original documents at the interview. Any documentation written in Filipino must be translated into English. You will be informed after your interview whether your wife qualifies for a visa, however it is difficult to predict the time it will take to get your Filipino wife her US Immigrant visa as each decision is made on a case by case basis.

### **Document Check List for Spouse's Immigrant Visa for Alien Relative**

- Passport valid for six months beyond the intended date of entry into the United States
- All other previously issued passports or notarized affidavits of loss
- Original birth certificate, translated into English
- Original divorce or death certificate of any previous spouse, translated into English
- Original marriage certificate printed on the Philippine National Statistics Office security paper and translated into English
- Police certificate from all places lived since age 16, , translated into English
- Two copies of form DS-156, Nonimmigrant Visa Application
- Results of the official visa medical examination
- Two recent photographs measuring 2"x 2." The pictures must show the front of your wife's face against a white background. Her hair must be styled behind her ears and she must not wear any glasses or head scarves. The photograph should be attached to the visa application.

### **Document Check List for US Spouse for Immigrant Visa for Alien Relative**

- Valid US passport
- Copy of the Petition for Alien Relative, Form 1-130
- Copy of the Petition for Alien Fiancé (e), Form I-129F
- Proof of financial support Form I-134 Affidavit of Support
- Completed Form DS-157 from the bank where the visa application fees were paid. Applicants must ensure that the back of the DS-157 Form is machine-validated with check-rite.
  
- A Copy of Form DS-156

## **Submitting your Immigrant Visa Application**

All petitioners filing stand-alone Form I-130 must submit their petitions to the Department of Homeland Security USCIS in the area where you live in the United States. Each applicant should use the Chicago Lockbox listed below instead of a USCIS Service Center.

Form I-130 petitions filed with the Chicago Lockbox will be routed to, and adjudicated at, the appropriate USCIS Service Center. This routing will be based on the petitioner's place of residence in the United States.

**Important:** Any Form I-130 filed at an incorrect location will be rejected.

Petitioners who reside in AK, AZ, CA, CO, Guam, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NE, NV, ND, OH, OR, SD, UT, WA, WI, or WY must file their stand-alone Form I-130s with the Lockbox using the following address:

**USCIS**

**P.O. Box 804625**

**Chicago, IL 60680-4107**

Petitioners who reside in AL, AR, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OK, PA, Puerto Rico, RI, SC, TN, TX, VT, VA, U.S. Virgin Islands, WV, or District of Columbia must file their stand-alone Form I-130 with the Lockbox using the following address:

**USCIS**

**P.O. Box 804616**

**Chicago, IL 60680-4107**

Any U.S. resident petitioner submitting a completed stand alone I-130 by courier/express delivery, should use the following address:

**USCIS Lockbox**

**Attn: SAI-130**

**131 South Dearborn – 3rd Floor**

**Chicago, IL 60603-5517**

**Note:** If Form I-130 is being filed concurrently with Form I-485, Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status, submit both forms to the USCIS Chicago Lockbox.

USCIS

P.O. Box 805887

Chicago, IL 60680-4120

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For Express mail and courier deliveries:

USCIS

Attn: FBAS

131 South Dearborn- 3rd Floor

Chicago, IL 60603-5517

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## Visa Fees

Fees are charged for the following services:

- Filing an immigrant Petition for Alien Relative, form I-130
- Processing an immigrant visa application, for DS-230
- Reviewing an I-864, Affidavit of Support (for petitions filed in the United States)
- Medical examination (costs vary from place to place)
- Fingerprinting fees, if applicable

Other costs may include translation and photocopying charges, fees for getting the documents you need for the immigrant visa application (such as passport, police certificates, birth certificates, etc.) and travel expenses to go to the embassy or consulate for the interview. Costs vary from country to country and case to case.

The cost of filing **Form I-130** is \$355. The NVC sends bills for certain fees at the appropriate time in the immigrant visa process. It sends bills for these services to the following people:

- Bill for processing the I-864, Affidavit of Support to the petitioner
- Bill for immigrant visa processing to the agent

The NVC sends a correctly addressed, return envelope with the bills.

Remember these important things:

- It is important that you use the return envelope provided to you, when paying the fees
- Don't forget to put the correct postage on the envelope
- Don't pay the bill until the NVC tells you to do so
- Don't send payments to the NVC at Portsmouth, New Hampshire

Your spouse will have to pay \$131.00 to apply for their Non Immigrant K-1 visa in the country where they reside.

## Photo Guide for US Visa Applicants

### General

- The photograph for each visa applicant must be an unmounted, full face photo, as described below
- The photograph must have been taken within the last six months
- One (1) photograph must be submitted stapled or glued to the application DS-156

### Photo Size

The photo for each visa applicant submitted must measure:

- 2 by 2 inches (roughly 50 mm square) with the head centered in the frame.
- The head (measured from the top of the hair to the bottom of the chin) should measure between 1 inch to 1 3/8 inches (25 mm to 35 mm) with the eye level between 1 1/8 inch to 1 3/8 inches (28 mm and 35 mm) from the bottom of the photo

### Photo Appearance

- The photograph must be a full-face view in which the visa applicant is facing the camera directly. See these [graphics](#) showing the full-face view, and more.
- The applicant should not look down or to either side, and the face should cover about 50 percent of the photo area.
- Side or angled views are NOT accepted.
- The photograph should be in color and must be taken against a white or off-white background. Photos with dark, busy, or patterned backgrounds will not be accepted.
- In general, the applicant's head, including both face and hair, should be shown from the crown of the head to the tip of the chin on top and bottom and from hairline side-to-side. It is preferable that ears be exposed.
- Head coverings and hats are only acceptable due to religious beliefs, and even then, may not cover any portion of the applicant's face.
- Sunglasses or other wear which detracts from the face are not acceptable unless required for medical reasons (an eye patch, for example).
- A photograph depicting a person wearing a traditional facemask or veil that does not permit adequate identification is not acceptable.
- Photos of military, airline or other personnel wearing hats are not acceptable. Photographs of applicants wearing tribal, national costume, or other headgear not specifically religious in nature are not acceptable.

## **Digital Photos**

Digitally reproduced photographs must be reproduced without discernible pixels or dot patterns. Photocopied photographs are NOT accepted.

## **Attaching the Photo to the DS-156**

- Staple or glue the one photograph to the DS-156 in the designated space. If the photograph is stapled, staples should be placed as far away as possible from the applicant's face.
- Do not enclose photographs in glassine or other types of envelopes. The photograph must be stapled or glued properly to the DS-156 in the designated space.

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For further support, go to [www.adobe.com/support/products/acrreader.html](http://www.adobe.com/support/products/acrreader.html)

**I-864, Affidavit of Support  
Under Section 213A of the Act**

**Part 1. Basis for filing Affidavit of Support.**

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_, am the sponsor submitting this affidavit of support because (Check only one box):
- a.  I am the petitioner. I filed or am filing for the immigration of my relative.
  - b.  I filed an alien worker petition on behalf of the intending immigrant, who is related to me as my \_\_\_\_\_
  - c.  I have an ownership interest of at least 5 percent in \_\_\_\_\_, which filed an alien worker petition on behalf of the intending immigrant, who is related to me as my \_\_\_\_\_
  - d.  I am the only joint sponsor.
  - e.  I am the  first  second of two joint sponsors. (Check appropriate box.)
  - f.  The original petitioner is deceased. I am the substitute sponsor. I am the intending immigrant's \_\_\_\_\_.

**For Government Use Only**

**This I-864 is from:**

- the Petitioner
- a Joint Sponsor # \_\_\_\_\_
- the Substitute Sponsor
- 5% Owner

**This I-864:**

- does not meet the requirements of section 213A.
- meets the requirements of section 213A.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Location

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Number of Affidavits of Support in file:

- 1     2

**Part 2. Information on the principal immigrant.**

2. Last Name

First Name	Middle Name
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3. Mailing Address Street Number and Name (Include Apartment Number)

City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country
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4. Country of Citizenship

5. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

6. Alien Registration Number (if any)

7. U.S. Social Security Number (if any)

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**Part 3. Information on the immigrant(s) you are sponsoring.**

- 8.  I am sponsoring the principal immigrant named in Part 2 above.  
 Yes     No (Applicable only in cases with two joint sponsors)
- 9.  I am sponsoring the following family members immigrating at the same time or within six months of the principal immigrant named in **Part 2** above. Do not include any relative listed on a separate visa petition.

Name	Relationship to Sponsored Immigrant	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	A-Number (if any)	U.S. Social Security Number (if any)
a. _____				
b. _____				
c. _____				
d. _____				
e. _____				

10. Enter the total number of immigrants you are sponsoring on this form from **Part 3**, Items **8** and **9**.



**Part 4. Information on the Sponsor.**

		For Government Use Only
11. Name	Last Name	
	First Name	Middle Name
12. Mailing Address	Street Number and Name <i>(Include Apartment Number)</i>	
	City	State or Province
	Country	Zip/Postal Code
13. Place of Residence <i>(if different from mailing address)</i>	Street Number and Name <i>(Include Apartment Number)</i>	
	City	State or Province
	Country	Zip/Postal Code
14. Telephone Number <i>(Include Area Code or Country and City Codes)</i>		
15. Country of Domicile		
16. Date of Birth <i>(mm/dd/yyyy)</i>		
17. Place of Birth <i>(City)</i>	State or Province	Country
18. U.S. Social Security Number <i>(Required)</i>		
<p>19. Citizenship/Residency</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am a U.S. citizen.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am a U.S. national (for joint sponsors only).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am a lawful permanent resident. My alien registration number is A- _____</p> <p>If you checked box (b), (c), (d), (e) or (f) in line 1 on Page 1, you must include proof of your citizen, national, or permanent resident status.</p>		
<p>20. Military Service (To be completed by petitioner sponsors only.)</p> <p>I am currently on active duty in the U.S. armed services.      <input type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		

**Part 5. Sponsor's household size.**

**21. Your Household Size - DO NOT COUNT ANYONE TWICE**

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Use Only**

***Persons you are sponsoring in this affidavit:***

a. Enter the number you entered on line 10.

***Persons NOT sponsored in this affidavit:***

b. Yourself.

c. If you are currently married, enter "1" for your spouse.

d. If you have dependent children, enter the number here.

e. If you have any other dependents, enter the number here.

f. If you have sponsored any other persons on an I-864 or I-864 EZ who are now lawful permanent residents, enter the number here.

g. **OPTIONAL:** If you have siblings, parents, or adult children with the same principal residence who are combining their income with yours by submitting Form I-864A, enter the number here.

h. Add together lines and enter the number here. **Household Size:**

**Part 6. Sponsor's income and employment.**

**22. I am currently:**

a.  Employed as a/an \_\_\_\_\_ .

Name of Employer #1 (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ .

Name of Employer #2 (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ .

b.  Self-employed as a/an \_\_\_\_\_ .

c.  Retired from \_\_\_\_\_ since \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(Company Name) (Date)

d.  Unemployed since \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(Date)

**23. My current individual annual income is:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(See Step-by-Step Instructions)

**24. My current annual household income:**

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Use Only**

a. List your income from line 23 of this form. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b. Income you are using from any other person who was counted in your household size, including, in certain conditions, the intending immigrant. (See step-by-step instructions.) Please indicate name, relationship and income.

Name	Relationship	Current Income
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____

Household Size = \_\_\_\_\_

Poverty line for year \_\_\_\_\_ is:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**c. Total Household Income:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Total all lines from 24a and 24b. Will be Compared to Poverty Guidelines -- See Form I-864P.)

d.  The persons listed above have completed Form I-864A. I am filing along with this form all necessary Forms I-864A completed by these persons.

e.  The person listed above, \_\_\_\_\_ does not need to  
*(Name)*  
complete Form I-864A because he/she is the intending immigrant and has no accompanying dependents.

**25. Federal income tax return information.**

I have filed a Federal tax return for each of the three most recent tax years. I have attached the required photocopy or transcript of my Federal tax return for only the most recent tax year.

My total income (adjusted gross income on IRS Form 1040EZ) as reported on my Federal tax returns for the most recent three years was:

Tax Year	Total Income
_____ <i>(most recent)</i>	\$ _____
_____ <i>(2nd most recent)</i>	\$ _____
_____ <i>(3rd most recent)</i>	\$ _____

*(Optional)* I have attached photocopies or transcripts of my Federal tax returns for my second and third most recent tax years.

**Part 7. Use of assets to supplement income. (Optional)**

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*If your income, or the total income for you and your household, from line 24c exceeds the Federal Poverty Guidelines for your household size, YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED to complete this Part. Skip to Part 8.*

Household Size = \_\_\_\_\_

**26. Your assets (Optional)**

- a. Enter the balance of all savings and checking accounts. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Enter the net cash value of real-estate holdings. (Net means current assessed value minus mortgage debt.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Enter the net cash value of all stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, and any other assets not already included in lines 26 (a) or (b). \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Add together lines 26 a, b and c and enter the number here. **TOTAL:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Poverty line for year \_\_\_\_\_ is:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**27. Your household member's assets from Form I-864A. (Optional)**

Assets from Form I-864A, line 12d for

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Relative)

**28. Assets of the principal sponsored immigrant. (Optional)**

The principal sponsored immigrant is the person listed in line 2.

- a. Enter the balance of the sponsored immigrant's savings and checking accounts. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Enter the net cash value of all the sponsored immigrant's real estate holdings. (Net means investment value minus mortgage debt.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Enter the current cash value of the sponsored immigrant's stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, and other assets not included on line a or b. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Add together lines 28a, b, and c, and enter the number here. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The total value of all assets, line 29, must equal 5 times (3 times for spouses and children of USCs, or 1 time for orphans to be formally adopted in the U.S.) the difference between the poverty guidelines and the sponsor's household income, line 24c.

**29. Total value of assets.**

Add together lines 26d, 27 and 28d and enter the number here.

**TOTAL:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Part 8. Sponsor's Contract.**

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*Please note that, by signing this Form I-864, you agree to assume certain specific obligations under the Immigration and Nationality Act and other Federal laws. The following paragraphs describe those obligations. Please read the following information carefully before you sign the Form I-864. If you do not understand the obligations, you may wish to consult an attorney or accredited representative.*

### **What is the Legal Effect of My Signing a Form I-864?**

If you sign a Form I-864 on behalf of any person (called the "intending immigrant") who is applying for an immigrant visa or for adjustment of status to a permanent resident, and that intending immigrant submits the Form I-864 to the U.S. Government with his or her application for an immigrant visa or adjustment of status, under section 213A of the Immigration and Nationality Act these actions create a contract between you and the U. S. Government. The intending immigrant's becoming a permanent resident is the "consideration" for the contract.

Under this contract, you agree that, in deciding whether the intending immigrant can establish that he or she is not inadmissible to the United States as an alien likely to become a public charge, the U.S. Government can consider your income and assets to be available for the support of the intending immigrant.

### **What If I choose Not to Sign a Form I-864?**

You cannot be made to sign a Form I-864 if you do not want to do so. But if you do not sign the Form I-864, the intending immigrant may not be able to become a permanent resident in the United States.

### **What Does Signing the Form I-864 Require Me to do?**

If an intending immigrant becomes a permanent resident in the United States based on a Form I-864 that you have signed, then, until your obligations under the Form I-864 terminate, you must:

- Provide the intending immigrant any support necessary to maintain him or her at an income that is at least 125 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines for his or her household size (100 percent if you are the petitioning sponsor and are on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and the person is your husband, wife, unmarried child under 21 years old.)
- Notify USCIS of any change in your address, within 30 days of the change, by filing Form I-865.

### **What Other Consequences Are There?**

If an intending immigrant becomes a permanent resident in the United States based on a Form I-864 that you have signed, then until your obligations under the Form I-864 terminate, your income and assets may be considered ("deemed") to be available to that person, in determining whether he or she is eligible for certain Federal means-tested public benefits and also for State or local means-tested public benefits, if the State or local government's rules provide for consideration ("deeming") of your income and assets as available to the person.

This provision does **not** apply to public benefits specified in section 403(c) of the Welfare Reform Act such as, but not limited to, emergency Medicaid, short-term, non-cash emergency relief; services provided under the National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Acts; immunizations and testing and treatment for communicable diseases; and means-tested programs under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

*Contract continued on following page.*

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### What If I Do Not Fulfill My Obligations?

If you do not provide sufficient support to the person who becomes a permanent resident based on the Form I-864 that you signed, that person may sue you for this support.

If a Federal, State or local agency, or a private agency provides any covered means-tested public benefit to the person who becomes a permanent resident based on the Form I-864 that you signed, the agency may ask you to reimburse them for the amount of the benefits they provided. If you do not make the reimbursement, the agency may sue you for the amount that the agency believes you owe.

If you are sued, and the court enters a judgment against you, the person or agency that sued you may use any legally permitted procedures for enforcing or collecting the judgment. You may also be required to pay the costs of collection, including attorney fees.

If you do not file a properly completed Form I-865 within 30 days of any change of address, USCIS may impose a civil fine for your failing to do so.

### When Will These Obligations End?

Your obligations under a Form I-864 will end if the person who becomes a permanent resident based on a Form I-864 that you signed:

- Becomes a U.S. citizen;
- Has worked, or can be credited with, 40 quarters of coverage under the Social Security Act;
- No longer has lawful permanent resident status, and has departed the United States;
- Becomes subject to removal, but applies for and obtains in removal proceedings a new grant of adjustment of status, based on a new affidavit of support, if one is required; or
- Dies.

Note that divorce **does not** terminate your obligations under this Form I-864.

Your obligations under a Form I-864 also end if you die. Therefore, if you die, your Estate will not be required to take responsibility for the person's support after your death. Your Estate may, however, be responsible for any support that you owed before you died.

30. I, \_\_\_\_\_,   
 *(Print Sponsor's Name)*

certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that:

- a. I know the contents of this affidavit of support that I signed.
- b. All the factual statements in this affidavit of support are true and correct.
- c. I have read and I understand each of the obligations described in Part 8, and I agree, freely and without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, to accept each of those obligations in order to make it possible for the immigrants indicated in Part 3 to become permanent residents of the United States;
- d. I agree to submit to the personal jurisdiction of any Federal or State court that has subject matter jurisdiction of a lawsuit against me to enforce my obligations under this Form I-864;
- e. Each of the Federal income tax returns submitted in support of this affidavit are true copies, or are unaltered tax transcripts, of the tax returns I filed with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service; and

***Sign on following page.***

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- f. I authorize the Social Security Administration to release information about me in its records to the Department of State and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.
  - g. Any and all other evidence submitted is true and correct.

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*(Sponsor's Signature)*

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*(Date-- mm/dd/yyyy)*

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**Part 9. Information on Preparer, if prepared by someone other than the sponsor.**

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that I prepared this affidavit of support at the sponsor's request and that this affidavit of support is based on all information of which I have knowledge.

**Signature:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date:**

\_\_\_\_\_

*(mm/dd/yyyy)*

**Printed Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Firm Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address :**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Business State ID # (if any)**

\_\_\_\_\_

**I-129F, Petition  
for Alien Fiancé(e)**

**Do not write in these blocks. For USCIS Use Only**

<b>Case ID #</b>	<b>Action Block</b>	<b>Fee Stamp</b>
<b>A #</b>		
<b>G-28 #</b>		
The petition is approved for status under Section 101(a)(5)(k). It is valid for four months from the date of action. _____		<b>AMCON:</b> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Interview <input type="checkbox"/> Previously Forwarded <input type="checkbox"/> Document Check <input type="checkbox"/> Field Investigation
<b>Remarks:</b>		

**Part A. Start Here. Information about you.**

**1. Name** (Family name in CAPS) (First) (Middle)

**2. Address** (Number and Street) Apt. #  
   
 (Town or City) (State or Country) (Zip/Postal Code)

**3. Place of Birth** (Town or City) (State/Country)

**4. Date of Birth** (mm/dd/yyyy) **5. Gender**  
  Male  Female

**6. Marital Status**  
 Married  Single  Widowed  Divorced

**7. Other Names Used** (including maiden name)

**8a. U.S. Social Security Number** **8b. A#** (if any)

**9. Names of Prior Spouses** **Date(s) Marriage(s) Ended**

**10. My citizenship was acquired through** (check one)  
 Birth in the U.S.     Naturalization  
 Give number of certificate, date and place it was issued.  
  
 Parents  
 Have you obtained a certificate of citizenship in your name?  
 Yes     No  
 If "Yes," give certificate number, date and place it was issued.

**11. Have you ever filed for this or any other alien fiancé(e) or husband/wife before?**  
 Yes     No  
 If "Yes," give name of all aliens, place and date of filing, A# and result. (Attached additional sheets as necessary.)

**Part B. Information about your alien fiancé(e).**

**1. Name** (Family name in CAPS) (First) (Middle)

**2. Address** (Number and Street) Apt. #  
   
 (Town or City) (State or Country) (Zip/Postal Code)

**3a. Place of Birth** (Town or City) (State/Country)

**3b. Country of Citizenship**

**4. Date of Birth** (mm/dd/yyyy) **5. Gender**  
  Male  Female

**6. Marital Status**  
 Married  Single  Widowed  Divorced

**7. Other Names Used** (including maiden name)

**8. U.S. Social Security #** **9. A#** (if any)

**10. Names of Prior Spouses** **Date(s) Marriage(s) Ended**

**11. Has your fiancé(e) ever been in the U.S.?**  
 Yes     No

**12. If your fiancé(e) is currently in the U.S., complete the following:**  
**He or she last arrived as a:** (visitor, student, exchange alien, crewman, stowaway, temporary worker, without inspection, etc.)  
  
**Arrival/Departure Record (I-94) Number**  
 -   
**Date of Arrival** (mm/dd/yy) **Date authorized stay expired, or will expire as shown on I-94 or I-95**

INITIAL RECEIPT \_\_\_\_\_ RESUBMITTED \_\_\_\_\_ RELOCATED: Rec'd. \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ COMPLETED: App'v'd. \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Ret'd. \_\_\_\_\_



**Part B. Information about your alien fiancé(e).** (Continued.)

**13. List all children of your alien fiancé(e) (if any)**

Name (First/Middle/Last)	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	Country of Birth	Present Address

**14. Address in the United States where your fiancé(e) intends to live.**

(Number and Street) (Town or City) (State)

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**15. Your fiancé(e)'s address abroad.**

(Number and Street) (Town or City) (State or Province)

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(Country) (Phone Number; Include Country, City and Area Codes)

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**16. If your fiancé(e)'s native alphabet uses other than Roman letters, write his or her name and address abroad in the native alphabet.**

(Name) (Number and Street)

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(Town or City) (State or Province) (Country)

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**17. Is your fiancé(e) related to you?**  Yes  No

If you are related, state the nature and degree of relationship, e.g., third cousin or maternal uncle, etc.

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**18. Has your fiancé(e) met and seen you within the two-year period immediately preceding the filing of this petition?**

Yes  No

Describe the circumstances under which you met. If you have not personally met each other, explain how the relationship was established. If you met your fiancé(e) or spouse through an international marriage broker, please explain those circumstances in Question 19 below. Explain also in detail any reasons you may have for requesting that the requirement that you and your fiancé(e) must have met should not apply to you.

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**19. Did you meet your fiancé(e) or spouse through the services of an international marriage broker?**

Yes  No

If you answered yes, please provide the name and any contact information you may have (including internet or street address) of the international marriage broker and where the international marriage broker is located. Attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.

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**20. Your fiancé(e) will apply for a visa abroad at the American embassy or consulate at:**

(City) (Country)

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**NOTE:** (Designation of a U.S. embassy or consulate outside the country of your fiancé(e)'s last residence does not guarantee acceptance for processing by that foreign post. Acceptance is at the discretion of the designated embassy or consulate.)

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**Part C. Other information.**

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**1. If you are serving overseas in the Armed Forces of the United States, please answer the following:**

I presently reside or am stationed overseas and my current mailing address is:

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**2. Have you ever been convicted by a court of law (civil or criminal) or court martialled by a military tribunal for any of the following crimes:**

- Domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse and neglect, dating violence, elder abuse or stalking. (Please refer to page 3 of the instructions for the full definition of the term "domestic violence.")
- Homicide, murder, manslaughter, rape, abusive sexual contact, sexual exploitation, incest, torture, trafficking, peonage, holding hostage, involuntary servitude, slave trade, kidnapping, abduction, unlawful criminal restraint, false imprisonment or an attempt to commit any of these crimes, or
- Three or more convictions for crimes relating to a controlled substance or alcohol not arising from a single act.

Yes       No

Answering this question is required even if your records were sealed or otherwise cleared or if anyone, including a judge, law enforcement officer, or attorney, told you that you no longer have a record. Using a separate sheet(s) of paper, attach information relating to the conviction(s), such as crime involved, date of conviction and sentence.

**3. If you have provided information about a conviction for a crime listed above and you were being battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by your spouse, parent, or adult child at the time of your conviction, check all of the following that apply to you:**

- I was acting in self-defense.
- I violated a protection order issued for my own protection.
- I committed, was arrested for, was convicted of, or plead guilty to committing a crime that did not result in serious bodily injury, and there was a connection between the crime committed and my having been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty.

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**Part D. Penalties, certification and petitioner's signature.**

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**PENALTIES:** You may by law be imprisoned for not more than five years, or fined \$250,000, or both, for entering into a marriage contract for the purpose of evading any provision of the immigration laws, and you may be fined up to \$10,000 or imprisoned up to five years, or both, for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing a material fact or using any false document in submitting this petition.

**YOUR CERTIFICATION:** I am legally able to and intend to marry my alien fiancé(e) within 90 days of his or her arrival in the United States. I certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that the foregoing is true and correct. Furthermore, I authorize the release of any information from my records that U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services needs to determine eligibility for the benefit that I am seeking.

Moreover, I understand that this petition, including any criminal conviction information that I am required to provide with this petition, as well as any related criminal background information pertaining to me that U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services may discover independently in adjudicating this petition will be disclosed to the beneficiary of this petition.

*Signature*

*Date (mm/dd/yyyy)*

*Daytime Telephone Number (with area code)*

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*E-Mail Address (if any)*

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**Part E. Signature of person preparing form, if other than above. (Sign below.)**

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I declare that I prepared this application at the request of the petitioner and it is based on all information of which I have knowledge.

*Signature*

*Print or Type Your Name*

*G-28 ID Number*

*Date (mm/dd/yyyy)*

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*Firm Name and Address*

*Daytime Telephone Number (with area code)*


Place Case Barcode Strip Here Before Mailing to the National Visa Center



U.S. Department of State  
**CHOICE OF ADDRESS AND AGENT**  
For Immigrant Visa Applicants

Print or type your full name

Check one box only to the left of the statement that is your choice.

I appoint: \_\_\_\_\_  
as my agent or attorney to receive mail about my application. Mail from the U. S. Department of State concerning my immigrant visa application should be sent to:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of the person who will act as your agent or attorney for receipt of mail

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street address (where my agent or attorney will receive mail about my application)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State/Province Postal Code Country

I do not appoint an agent or an attorney to receive mail about my application. Mail from the U.S. Department of State concerning my immigrant visa application should be sent to me at:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street address (include "in care of" if needed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State/Province Postal Code Country

I have already legally immigrated to the U. S. and do not need to apply for an immigrant visa.

I no longer wish to apply for an immigrant visa.

As proof of your choice, sign and date this document:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

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U.S. Department of State  
**NONIMMIGRANT VISA APPLICATION**

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT YOUR ANSWERS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW EACH ITEM**

1. Passport Number		2. Place of Issuance: City		Country	State/Province	<b>DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE</b> B-1/B-2 MAX    B-1 MAX    B-2 MAX Other _____ MAX Visa Classification					
3. Issuing Country			4. Issuance Date (dd-mmm-yyyy)		5. Expiration Date (dd-mmm-yyyy)			Mult or _____ Number of Applications			
6. Surnames (As in Passport)						Months _____ Validity					
7. First and Middle Names (As in Passport)						Issued/Refused On _____ By _____					
8. Other Surnames Used (Maiden, Religious, Professional, Aliases)						Under SEC.    214(b)    221(g) Other _____ INA Reviewed By _____					
9. Other First and Middle Names Used				10. Date of Birth (dd-mmm-yyyy)							
11. Place of Birth City		Country		State/Province		12. Nationality					
13. Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	14. National Identification Number (If Applicable)		15. Home Address (Include Apartment Number, Street, City, State or Province, Postal Zone and Country)								
16. Home Telephone Number		Business Phone Number			Mobile/Cell Number						
Fax Number		Business Fax Number			Pager Number						
17. Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Single (Never Married) <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Separated			18. Spouse's Full Name (Even if divorced or separated, include maiden name.)			19. Spouse's DOB (dd-mmm-yyyy)					
20. Name and Address of Present Employer or School Name _____ Address _____											
21. Present Occupation (If retired, write "retired". If student, write "student".)			22. When do you intend to arrive in the U.S.? (Provide specific date if known) (dd-mmm-yyyy)			23. E-Mail Address					
24. At what address will you stay in the U.S.?						<b>BARCODE</b>			<b>DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE</b>  50 mm x 50 mm  PHOTO  staple or glue photo here		
25. Name and telephone numbers of person in U.S. who you will be staying with or visiting for tourism or business: Name _____ Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____ Cell Phone _____											
26. How long do you intend to stay in the U.S.?		27. What is the purpose of your trip?									
28. Who will pay for your trip?		29. Have you ever been in the U.S.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  When? _____ For how long? _____									

<p>30. Have you ever been issued a U.S. visa? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>When? _____</p> <p>Where? _____</p> <p>What type of visa? _____</p>	<p>31. Have you ever been refused a U.S. visa? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>When? _____</p> <p>Where? _____</p> <p>What type of visa? _____</p>
<p>32. Do you intend to work in the U.S.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If YES, give the name and complete address of U.S. employer.)</p>	<p>33. Do you intend to study in the U.S.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If YES, give the name and complete address of the school.)</p>

34. Names and relationships of persons traveling with you

  
  
  

<p>35. Has your U.S. visa ever been cancelled or revoked? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>36. Has anyone ever filed an immigrant visa petition on your behalf? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, who? _____</p>
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37. Are any of the following persons in the U.S., or do they have U.S. legal permanent residence or U.S. citizenship? Mark YES or NO and indicate that person's status in the U.S. (i.e., U.S. legal permanent resident, U.S. citizen, visiting, studying, working, etc.).

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Husband/ Wife _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fiance/ Fiancee _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Father/ Mother _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Son/ Daughter _____	Brother/ Sister _____

38. **IMPORTANT: ALL APPLICANTS MUST READ AND CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ITEM.**  
A visa may not be issued to persons who are within specific categories defined by law as inadmissible to the United States (except when a waiver is obtained in advance). Is any of the following applicable to you?

- Have you ever been arrested or convicted for any offense or crime, even though subject of a pardon, amnesty or other similar legal action? Have you ever unlawfully distributed or sold a controlled substance (drug), or been a prostitute or procurer for prostitutes?  Yes  No
- Have you ever been refused admission to the U.S., or been the subject of a deportation hearing, or sought to obtain or assist others to obtain a visa, entry into the U.S., or any other U.S. immigration benefit by fraud or willful misrepresentation or other unlawful means? Have you attended a U.S. public elementary school on student (F) status or a public secondary school after November 30, 1996 without reimbursing the school?  Yes  No
- Do you seek to enter the United States to engage in export control violations, subversive or terrorist activities, or any other unlawful purpose? Are you a member or representative of a terrorist organization as currently designated by the U.S. Secretary of State? Have you ever participated in persecutions directed by the Nazi government of Germany; or have you ever participated in genocide? Have you ever participated in, ordered, or engaged in genocide, torture, or extrajudicial killings? Have you ever engaged in the recruitment of or the use of child soldiers?  Yes  No
- Have you ever violated the terms of a U.S. visa, or been unlawfully present in, or deported from, the United States?  Yes  No
- Have you ever withheld custody of a U.S. citizen child outside the United States from a person granted legal custody by a U.S. court, voted in the United States in violation of any law or regulation, or renounced U.S. citizenship for the purpose of avoiding taxation?  Yes  No
- Have you ever been afflicted with a communicable disease of public health significance or a dangerous physical or mental disorder, or ever been a drug abuser or addict?  Yes  No

While a YES answer does not automatically signify ineligibility for a visa, if you answered YES you may be required to personally appear before a consular officer.

39. Was this application prepared by another person on your behalf?  
(If answer is YES, then have that person complete item 40.)  Yes  No

40. Application Prepared By

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Person Preparing Form \_\_\_\_\_ Date (dd-mmm-yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

41. I certify that I have read and understood all the questions set forth in this application and the answers I have furnished on this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false or misleading statement may result in the permanent refusal of a visa or denial of entry into the United States. I understand that possession of a visa does not automatically entitle the bearer to enter the United States of America upon arrival at a port of entry if he or she is found inadmissible.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date (dd-mmm-yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

**Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Statements**

INA Section 222(f) provides that visa issuance and refusal records shall be considered confidential and shall be used only for the formulation, amendment, administration, or enforcement of the immigration, nationality, and other laws of the United States. Certified copies of visa records may be made available to a court which certifies that the information contained in such records is needed in a case pending before the court.

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### SUPPLEMENTAL NONIMMIGRANT VISA APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT YOUR ANSWERS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW EACH ITEM  
PLEASE ATTACH AN ADDITIONAL SHEET IF YOU NEED MORE SPACE TO CONTINUE YOUR ANSWERS

1. Last Name(s) <i>(List all Spellings)</i>	2. First Name(s) <i>(List all Spellings)</i>	3. Full Name <i>(In Native Alphabet)</i>
4. Clan or Tribe Name <i>(If Applicable)</i>		5. Spouse's Full Name <i>(If Married)</i>
6. Father's Full Name		7. Mother's Full Name
8. Full Name and Address of Contact Person or Organization in the United States <i>(Include Telephone Number)</i>		
9. List All Countries You have Entered in the Last Ten Years <i>(Give the Year of Each Visit)</i>	10. List All Countries That Have Ever Issued You a Passport	11. Have you ever lost a passport or had one stolen?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. Not Including Current Employer, List Your Last Two Employers		
<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Supervisor's Name</u>	<u>Dates of Employment</u> <i>(mm-dd-yyyy) or "Present"</i> <u>From</u> <u>To</u>
13. List all Professional, Social and Charitable Organizations to Which You Belong (Belonged) or Contribute (Contributed) or with Which You Work (Have Worked).		14. Do you have any specialized skills or training, including firearms, explosives, nuclear, biological, or chemical experience? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    If YES, please explain
15. Have you ever performed military service? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    If yes, complete below.		
<u>Name of Country</u>	<u>Branch of Service</u>	<u>Rank/Position</u>
<u>Military Specialty</u>	<u>Dates of Service</u> <i>(mm-dd-yyyy) or "Present"</i> <u>From</u> <u>To</u>	
16. Have you ever been in an armed conflict, either as a participant or victim? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    If YES, please explain.		
17. List all educational institutions you attend or have attended. Include vocational institutions but not elementary schools.		
<u>Name of Institution</u>	<u>Address/Telephone Number</u>	<u>Course of Study</u>
		<u>Dates of Attendance</u> <i>(mm-dd-yyyy) or "Present"</i> <u>From</u> <u>To</u>
18. Have you made specific travel arrangements? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    If YES, please provide a complete itinerary for your travel, including arrival/departure dates, flight information, specific location you will visit, and a point of contact at each location.		

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# CONTACT INFORMATION AND WORK HISTORY FOR NONIMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANT

Please Type or Print Your Answers in the Space Provided Below Each Item  
Please Attach an Additional Sheet if You Need More Space to Continue Your Answers

<b>1. Last Name(s)</b>	<b>First Name(s)</b>	<b>Middle Name</b>
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<b>2. Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy)</b>	<b>3. Place of Birth</b>		
	Country	City/Town	State/Province

**4. Permanent Home Address and Telephone Number (Include Apartment Number, Street, City, State or Province, Postal Zone, and Country)**

**5. Full Name and Address of Spouse (If Applicable) (Postal box numbers are unacceptable.)**

Name (Last, First, Middle)	Telephone Number
Address	

**6. Full Names and Addresses of Children, Parents, and Siblings (Postal box numbers are unacceptable.)**

Name (Last, First, Middle)	Relationship
Address	
	Telephone Number
Name (Last, First, Middle)	Relationship
Address	
	Telephone Number
Name (Last, First, Middle)	Relationship
Address	
	Telephone Number
Name (Last, First, Middle)	Relationship
Address	
	Telephone Number
Name (Last, First, Middle)	Relationship
Address	
	Telephone Number

**7. List at Least Two Contacts in Applicant's Country of Residence Who Can Verify Information About Applicant (Do not list immediate family members or other relatives. Postal box numbers are unacceptable.)**

Name (Last, First, Middle)	Telephone Number
Address	
Name (Last, First, Middle)	Telephone Number
Address	

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**Work Experience - Present**

Job Title	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) From	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) To
Employer's Name and Address		
Telephone Number		
Describe Your Duties		

**Work Experience - Previous**

Job Title	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) From	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) To
Employer's Name and Address		
Telephone Number		
Describe Your Duties		

**Work Experience - Previous**

Job Title	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) From	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) To
Employer's Name and Address		
Telephone Number		
Describe Your Duties		

**Work Experience - Previous**

Job Title	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) From	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) To
Employer's Name and Address		
Telephone Number		
Describe Your Duties		

I certify that I have read and understood all the questions set forth in this form and the answers I have furnished on this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false or misleading statement may result in the permanent refusal of a visa or denial of entry into the United States.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date (mm-dd-yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_





# APPLICATION FOR IMMIGRANT VISA AND ALIEN REGISTRATION

## PART I - BIOGRAPHIC DATA

**Instructions:** Complete one copy of this form for yourself and each member of your family, regardless of age, who will immigrate with you. Please print or type your answers to all questions. Mark questions that are **Not Applicable** with "N/A". If there is insufficient room on the form, answer on a separate sheet using the same numbers that appear on the form. **Attach any additional sheets to this form.**

**Warning: Any false statement or concealment of a material fact may result in your permanent exclusion from the United States.**

**This form (DS-230 Part I) is the first of two parts. This part, together with Form DS-230 Part II, constitutes the complete Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration.**

1. Family Name		First Name	Middle Name
2. Other Names Used or Aliases (If married woman, give maiden name)			
3. Full Name in Native Alphabet (If Roman letters not used)			
4. Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy)	5. Age	6. Place of Birth (City or town)	(Province) (Country)
7. Nationality (If dual national, give both)	8. Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	9. Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Single (Never married) <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Separated Including my present marriage, I have been married _____ times.	
10. Permanent address in the United States where you intend to live, if known (street address including ZIP code). Include the name of a person who currently lives there.		11. Address in the United States where you want your Permanent Resident Card (Green Card) mailed, if different from address in item #10 (include the name of a person who currently lives there).	
Telephone number		Telephone number	
12. Your Present Occupation		13. Present Address (Street Address) (City or Town) (Province) (Country)	
		Telephone Number (Home)	Office
14. Name of Spouse (Maiden or family name)		First Name	Middle Name
Date (mm-dd-yyyy) and Place of Birth of Spouse			
Address of Spouse (If different from your own)		Spouse's Occupation	
		Date of Marriage (mm-dd-yyyy)	
15. Father's Family Name		First Name	Middle Name
16. Father's Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy)	Place of Birth	Current Address	If Deceased, Give Year of Death
17. Mother's Family Name at Birth		First Name	Middle Name
18. Mother's Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy)	Place of Birth	Current Address	If Deceased, Give Year of Death

19. List Names, Dates and Places of Birth, and Addresses of **ALL** Children.

Name	Date (mm-dd-yyyy)	Place of Birth	Address (If different from your own)

20. List below all places you have lived for at least six months since reaching the age of 16, including places in your country of nationality. Begin with your present residence.

City or Town	Province	Country	From/To (mm-yyyy) or "Present"

21a. Person(s) named in 14 and 19 who will accompany you to the United States now.

21b. Person(s) named in 14 and 19 who will follow you to the United States at a later date.

22. List below all employment for the last ten years.

Employer	Location	Job Title	From/To (mm-yyyy) or "Present"

In what occupation do you intend to work in the United States? \_\_\_\_\_

23. List below all educational institutions attended.

School and Location	From/To (mm-yyyy)	Course of Study	Degree or Diploma

Languages spoken or read: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional associations to which you belong: \_\_\_\_\_

24. Previous Military Service  Yes  No

Branch \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Service (mm-dd-yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

Rank/Position \_\_\_\_\_ Military Speciality/Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

25. List dates of all previous visits to or residence in the United States. (If never, write "never") Give type of visa status, if known. Give DHS "A" number if any.

From/To (mm-yyyy)	Location	Type of Visa	"A" Number (If known)

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date (mm-dd-yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

**Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Statements**

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U.S. Department of State  
**APPLICATION FOR IMMIGRANT VISA AND  
 ALIEN REGISTRATION**

OMB APPROVAL NO. 1405-0015  
 EXPIRES: 02/29/2012  
 ESTIMATED BURDEN: 1 HOUR\*

**PART II - SWORN STATEMENT**

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**Warning: Any false statement or concealment of a material fact may result in your permanent exclusion from the United States. Even if you are issued an immigrant visa and are subsequently admitted to the United States, providing false information on this form could be grounds for your prosecution and/or deportation.**

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<b>26. Family Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Middle Name</b>

**27. Other Names Used or Aliases (If married woman, give maiden name)**

**28. Full Name in Native Alphabet (If Roman letters not used)**

<b>29. Name and Address of Petitioner</b>	<b>Telephone number</b>

**30. United States laws governing the issuance of visas require each applicant to state whether or not he or she is a member of any class of individuals excluded from admission into the United States. The excludable classes are described below in general terms. You should read carefully the following list and answer **Yes** or **No** to each category. The answers you give will assist the consular officer to reach a decision on your eligibility to receive a visa.**

**Except as Otherwise Provided by Law, Aliens Within the Following Classifications are Ineligible to Receive a Visa. Do Any of the Following Classes Apply to You?**

- a. An alien who has a communicable disease of public health significance; who has failed to present documentation of having received vaccinations in accordance with U.S. law; who has or has had a physical or mental disorder that poses or is likely to pose a threat to the safety or welfare of the alien or others; or who is a drug abuser or addict.  Yes  No
- b. An alien convicted of, or who admits having committed, a crime involving moral turpitude or violation of any law relating to a controlled substance or who is the spouse, son or daughter of such a trafficker who knowingly has benefited from the trafficking activities in the past five years; who has been convicted of 2 or more offenses for which the aggregate sentences were 5 years or more; who is coming to the United States to engage in prostitution or commercialized vice or who has engaged in prostitution or procuring within the past 10 years; who is or has been an illicit trafficker in any controlled substance; who has committed a serious criminal offense in the United States and who has asserted immunity from prosecution; who, while serving as a foreign government official, was responsible for or directly carried out particularly severe violations of religious freedom; or whom the President has identified as a person who plays a significant role in a severe form of trafficking in persons, who otherwise has knowingly aided, abetted, assisted or colluded with such a trafficker in severe forms of trafficking in persons, or who is the spouse, son or daughter of such a trafficker who knowingly has benefited from the trafficking activities within the past five years.  Yes  No
- c. An alien who seeks to enter the United States to engage in espionage, sabotage, export control violations, terrorist activities, the overthrow of the Government of the United States or other unlawful activity; who is a member of or affiliated with the Communist or other totalitarian party; who participated, engaged or ordered genocide, torture, or extrajudicial killings; or who is a member or representative of a terrorist organization as currently designated by the U.S. Secretary of State.  Yes  No
- d. An alien who is likely to become a public charge.  Yes  No
- e. An alien who seeks to enter for the purpose of performing skilled or unskilled labor who has not been certified by the Secretary of Labor; who is a graduate of a foreign medical school seeking to perform medical services who has not passed the NBME exam or its equivalent; or who is a health care worker seeking to perform such work without a certificate from the CGFNS or from an equivalent approved independent credentialing organization.  Yes  No
- f. An alien who failed to attend a hearing on deportation or inadmissibility within the last 5 years; who seeks or has sought a visa, entry into the United States, or any immigration benefit by fraud or misrepresentation; who knowingly assisted any other alien to enter or try to enter the United States in violation of law; who, after November 30, 1996, attended in student (F) visa status a U.S. public elementary school or who attended a U.S. public secondary school without reimbursing the school; or who is subject to a civil penalty under INA 274C.  Yes  No

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- g. An alien who is permanently ineligible for U.S. citizenship; or who departed the United States to evade military service in time of war.  Yes  No
- h. An alien who was previously ordered removed within the last 5 years or ordered removed a second time within the last 20 years; who was previously unlawfully present and ordered removed within the last 10 years or ordered removed a second time within the last 20 years; who was convicted of an aggravated felony and ordered removed; who was previously unlawfully present in the United States for more than 180 days but less than one year who voluntarily departed within the last 3 years; or who was unlawfully present for more than one year or an aggregate of one year within the last 10 years.  Yes  No
- i. An alien who is coming to the United States to practice polygamy; who withholds custody of a U.S. citizen child outside the United States from a person granted legal custody by a U.S. court or intentionally assists another person to do so; who has voted in the United States in violation of any law or regulation; or who renounced U.S. citizenship to avoid taxation.  Yes  No
- j. An alien who is a former exchange visitor who has not fulfilled the 2-year foreign residence requirement.  Yes  No
- k. An alien determined by the Attorney General to have knowingly made a frivolous application for asylum.  Yes  No
- l. An alien who has ordered, carried out or materially assisted in extrajudicial and political killings and other acts of violence against the Haitian people; who has directly or indirectly assisted or supported any of the groups in Colombia known as FARC, ELN, or AUC; who through abuse of a governmental or political position has converted for personal gain, confiscated or expropriated property in Cuba, a claim to which is owned by a national of the United States, has trafficked in such property or has been complicit in such conversion, has committed similar acts in another country, or is the spouse, minor child or agent of an alien who has committed such acts; who has been directly involved in the establishment or enforcement of population controls forcing a woman to undergo an abortion against her free choice or a man or a woman to undergo sterilization against his or her free choice; or who has disclosed or trafficked in confidential U.S. business information obtained in connection with U.S. participation in the Chemical Weapons Convention or is the spouse, minor child or agent of such a person.  Yes  No

31. Have you ever been charged, arrested or convicted of any offense or crime? *(If answer is Yes, please explain)*  Yes  No

32. Have you ever been refused admission to the United States at a port-of-entry? *(If answer is Yes, please explain)*  Yes  No

<p>33a. Have you ever applied for a Social Security Number (SSN)?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Give the number _____</p> <p>Would you like to receive a replacement card? (You must answer YES to question 33b. to receive a card.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>33b. <b>Consent to Disclosure:</b> I authorize disclosure of information from this form to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Social Security Administration (SSA), such other U.S. Government agencies as may be required for the purpose of assigning me an SSN and issuing me a Social Security card, and I authorize the SSA to share my SSN with the INS. <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</span></p> <p>The applicant's response does not limit or restrict the Government's ability to obtain his or her SSN, or other information on this form, for enforcement or other purposes as authorized by law.</p>
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34. Were you Assisted in Completing this Application?  Yes  No  
*(If answer is Yes, give name and address of person assisting you, indicating whether relative, friend, travel agent, attorney, or other)*

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THE FOLLOWING LINE**  
**The consular officer will assist you in answering item 35.**  
**DO NOT SIGN this form until instructed to do so by the consular officer**

35. I claim to be:
- A Family-Sponsored Immigrant
  - An Employment-Based Immigrant
  - A Diversity Immigrant
  - A Special Category (*Specify*) \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Returning resident, Hong Kong, Tibetan, Private Legislation, etc.)*
  - I derive foreign state chargeability under Sec. 202(b) through my \_\_\_\_\_
  - Preference \_\_\_\_\_
  - Numerical limitation (*foreign state*) \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I am required to surrender my visa to the United States Immigration Officer at the place where I apply to enter the United States, and that the possession of a visa does not entitle me to enter the United States if at that time I am found to be inadmissible under the immigration laws.

I understand that any willfully false or misleading statement or willful concealment of a material fact made by me herein may subject me to permanent exclusion from the United States and, if I am admitted to the United States, may subject me to criminal prosecution and/or deportation.

I, the undersigned applicant for a United States immigrant visa, do solemnly swear (*or affirm*) that all statements which appear in this application, consisting of Form DS-230 Part I and Part II combined, have been made by me, including the answers to items 1 through 35 inclusive, and that they are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I do further swear (*or affirm*) that, if admitted into the United States, I will not engage in activities which would be prejudicial to the public interest, or endanger the welfare, safety, or security of the United States; in activities which would be prohibited by the laws of the United States relating to espionage, sabotage, public disorder, or in other activities subversive to the national security; in any activity a purpose of which is the opposition to or the control, or overthrow of, the Government of the United States, by force, violence, or other unconstitutional means.

I understand that completion of this form by persons required by law to register with the Selective Service System (*males 18 through 25 years of age*) constitutes such registration in accordance with the Military Selective Service Act.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Consular Officer

**Form I-134, Affidavit of Support**

*(Answer all items. Type or print in black ink.)*

I, \_\_\_\_\_ residing at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Street and Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code if in U.S.) (Country)

**certify under penalty of perjury under U.S. law, that:**

1. I was born on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date-mm/dd/yyyy) (City) (Country)

If you are not a U.S. citizen based on your birth in the United States, or a non-citizen U.S. national based on your birth in American Samoa (including Swains Island), answer the following as appropriate:

- a. If a U.S. citizen through naturalization, give certificate of naturalization number \_\_\_\_\_
- b. If a U.S. citizen through parent(s) or marriage, give citizenship certificate number \_\_\_\_\_
- c. If U.S. citizenship was derived by some other method, attach a statement of explanation.
- d. If a lawfully admitted permanent resident of the United States, give A-Number \_\_\_\_\_
- e. If a lawfully admitted nonimmigrant, give Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Document, number \_\_\_\_\_

2. I am \_\_\_\_\_ years of age and have resided in the United States since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

3. This affidavit is executed on behalf of the following person:

Name (Family Name)	(First Name)	(Middle Name)	Gender	Age
Citizen of (Country)		Marital Status	Relationship to Sponsor	
Presently resides at (Street and Number)		(City)	(State)	(Country)

Name of spouse and children accompanying or following to join person:

Spouse	Gender	Age	Child	Gender	Age
Child	Gender	Age	Child	Gender	Age
Child	Gender	Age	Child	Gender	Age

4. This affidavit is made by me for the purpose of assuring the U.S. Government that the person(s) named in **item (3)** will not become a public charge in the United States.

5. I am willing and able to receive, maintain, and support the person(s) named in **item 3**. I am ready and willing to deposit a bond, if necessary, to guarantee that such person(s) will not become a public charge during his or her stay in the United States, or to guarantee that the above named person(s) will maintain his or her nonimmigrant status, if admitted temporarily, and will depart prior to the expiration of his or her authorized stay in the United States.

6. I understand that:

- a. Form I-134 is an "undertaking" under section 213 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and I may be sued if the person named in **item 3** becomes a public charge after admission to the United States; and
- b. Form I-134 may be made available to any Federal, State, or local agency that may receive an application from the person named in **item 3** for Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income, or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families;
- c. If the person named in **item 3** does apply for Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income, or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, my own income and assets may be considered in deciding the person's application. How long my income and assets may be attributed to the person named in **item 3** is determined under the statutes and rules governing each specific program.

7. I am employed as or engaged in the business of \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Type of Business) (Name of Concern)

at \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Street and Number) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

I derive an annual income of: *(If self-employed, I have attached a copy of my last income tax return or report of commercial rating concern which I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. See instructions for nature of evidence of net worth to be submitted.)* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I have on deposit in savings banks in the United States: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I have other personal property, the reasonable value of which is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I have stocks and bonds with the following market value, as indicated on the attached list, which I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I have life insurance in the sum of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

With a cash surrender value of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I own real estate valued at: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

With mortgage(s) or other encumbrance(s) thereon amounting to: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Which is located at: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Street and Number) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

8. The following persons are dependent upon me for support: *(Check the box in the appropriate column to indicate whether the person named is wholly or partially dependent upon you for support.)*

Name of Person	Wholly Dependent	Partially Dependent	Age	Relationship to Me
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

9. I have previously submitted affidavit(s) of support for the following person(s). If none, state "None".

Name of Person	Date submitted
_____	
_____	

10. I have submitted a visa petition(s) to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services on behalf of the following person(s). If none, state "None".

Name of Person	Relationship	Date submitted
_____		
_____		

11. I  intend  do not intend to make specific contributions to the support of the person(s) named in item 3.

*(If you check "intend," indicate the exact nature and duration of the contributions. For example, if you intend to furnish room and board, state for how long and, if money, state the amount in U.S. dollars and whether it is to be given in a lump sum, weekly or monthly, and for how long.)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
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### Oath or Affirmation of Sponsor

I acknowledge that I have read "Sponsor and Alien Liability" on Page 2 of the instructions for this form, and am aware of my responsibilities as a sponsor under the Social Security Act, as amended, and the Food Stamp Act, as amended.

I certify under penalty of perjury under United States law that I know the contents of this affidavit signed by me and that the statements are true and correct.

Signature of sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_