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Mock USCIS I-130/I-485 Adjustment of Status Interview

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BENEFICIARY

Inna Cherevin is a 31-year old woman from the Ukraine. She has never been married and has no children. Inna was born in Odessa, Ukraine, and moved to Kiev when her father died, around her tenth birthday. She completed her studies in Kiev and hoped to fall in love and settle down. After various failed relationships, her friend Helena told her about Ukrainewomen.com. Helena knew some girls who had met rich American men and moved to the US to get married. Inna thought it sounded a little suspicious, but decided it was worth a try. After posting her profile on Ukrainewomen.com, Inna received several invitations and decided to meet one of the men with whom she corresponded at a Ukrainewomen.com singles mixer in Kiev.

PETITIONER

Steve Goldman is a 61-year old investment banker from San Antonio, Texas. He is twice divorced with three children from his second marriage. His first marriage ended quickly, and his second marriage was to a Canadian woman and lasted 14 years. After twelve years in the dating scene, Steve decided he needed some help finding a woman with traditional values and a lot of pep. He started looking online and stumbled upon Inna's profile on Ukrainewomen.com. They corresponded back and forth and had great rapport, so he decided to visit the Ukraine to meet her in person.

FIRST MEETING BETWEEN BENEIFICIARY AND PETITIONER

The first meeting between Steve and Inna was shy and tentative. Inna and Steve felt weird about finding each other online, and Steve had difficulty trusting that Inna wasn't after him for his money or a visa. Inna could tell he was a kind man, even if he was shy, and decided to go on a private date with him. During their first date, they discovered that they shared a similar outlook on life and enjoyed each other's company. Steve's first visit lasted three weeks, during which time he fell in love with Inna and decided that she was the one for him. He returned home and purchased an engagement ring. On his next trip to the Ukraine, he proposed and she accepted his proposal. Steve came home and hired an immigration attorney to help him with the fiancée visa process. It was long and arduous, and Steve felt like his lawyer never called him back or kept him updated about his case, but eventually Inna arrived in the United States to begin her life with Steve. Steve fired his lawyer and began to ask friends for referrals to another lawyer. He figured he would find someone in due time.

LIVING TOGETHER AND MARRIAGE

The first two months together were bliss. Inna loved the weather in San Antonio and was very happy when Steve came home from work. But, he worked a lot! Steve felt more alive than he had in years. Unfortunately, the sheen started to wear off after a couple of months. Steve felt like Inna spent too much money and was a little too dependent. She wasn't taking initiative in her life— she had no friends and was needy and clingy. After a demanding period at work, Steve decided that he needed a break from Inna before deciding whether he was really ready to marry her.

Steve helped Inna find an apartment and told her he needed to take some time away from her because he was feeling crowded. She was devastated, but knew that the only way to make this work was to let him have his space so he could realize how much he really did appreciate her. It was hard, but she avoided calling him every day and spent her free time taking lessons in things she had always wanted to learn – sewing, ballroom dance, and drumming. In her classes, she met many new friends and acquaintances and started going out with her friends. One night, Steve saw Inna at the Coyote Ugly bar with some friends and she was dancing on top of the bar. There were a few guys giving her attention, and Steve did not like it at all. The next day, he called her to ask if she would move back in with him, and she happily agreed. Inna lived in her apartment for one month before she moved back in with Steve. Steve was in a hurry to be married, so they went to the Justice of the Peace and had a quick wedding ceremony. They filed for adjustment of status one year later.

Form I-485, Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status

Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

START HERE - Type or Print (Use black ink)

Part 1. Information About You

Family Name (<i>Last Name</i>)	Given Name (<i>First Name</i>)	Middle Name
CHEREVIN	Inna	none
Address - Street Number and Name		Apt. #
555 National Drive		5
C/O (<i>in care of</i>)		
City	State	Zip Code
San Antonio	TX	78239
Date of Birth (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)	Country of Birth	
04/13/1980	UKRAINE	
Country of Citizenship/Nationality	U.S. Social Security # (<i>if any</i>)	A # (<i>if any</i>)
Ukraine	555-555-555	555 555 555
Date of Last Arrival (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)	I-94 #	
02/10/2010	55-55555555	
Current USCIS Status	Expires on (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)	
K-1	2/09/2012	

For USCIS Use Only

Returned	Receipt
Resubmitted	
Reloc Sent	
Reloc Rec'd	
Applicant Interviewed	

Part 2. Application Type (*Check one*)

I am applying for an adjustment to permanent resident status because:

- a. ☐ An immigrant petition giving me an immediately available immigrant visa number that has been approved. (Attach a copy of the approval notice, or a relative, special immigrant juvenile, or special immigrant military visa petition filed with this application that will give you an immediately available visa number, if approved.)
- b. ☐ My spouse or parent applied for adjustment of status or was granted lawful permanent residence in an immigrant visa category that allows derivative status for spouses and children.
- c. ☒ I entered as a K-1 fiancé(e) of a U.S. citizen whom I married within 90 days of entry, or I am the K-2 child of such a fiancé(e). (Attach a copy of the fiancé(e) petition approval notice and the marriage certificate.)
- d. ☐ I was granted asylum or derivative asylum status as the spouse or child of a person granted asylum and am eligible for adjustment.
- e. ☐ I am a native or citizen of Cuba admitted or paroled into the United States after January 1, 1959, and thereafter have been physically present in the United States for at least 1 year.
- f. ☐ I am the husband, wife, or minor unmarried child of a Cuban described above in (e), and I am residing with that person, and was admitted or paroled into the United States after January 1, 1959, and thereafter have been physically present in the United States for at least 1 year.
- g. ☐ I have continuously resided in the United States since before January 1, 1972.
- h. ☐ Other basis of eligibility. Explain (for example, I was admitted as a refugee, my status has not been terminated, and I have been physically present in the United States for 1 year after admission). If additional space is needed, see **Page 2** of instructions.

I am already a permanent resident and am applying to have the date I was granted permanent residence adjusted to the date I originally arrived in the United States as a nonimmigrant or parolee, or as of May 2, 1964, whichever date is later, and:
(*Check one*)

- i. ☐ I am a native or citizen of Cuba and meet the description in (e) above.
- j. ☐ I am the husband, wife, or minor unmarried child of a Cuban and meet the description in (f) above.

Section of Law

- ☐ Sec. 209(a), INA
☐ Sec. 209(b), INA
☐ Sec. 13, Act of 9/11/57
☐ Sec. 245, INA
☐ Sec. 249, INA
☐ Sec. 1 Act of 11/2/66
☐ Sec. 2 Act of 11/2/66
☐ Other _____

Country Chargeable

Eligibility Under Sec. 245

- ☐ Approved Visa Petition
☐ Dependent of Principal Alien
☐ Special Immigrant
☐ Other _____

Preference

Action Block

To be Completed by

Attorney or Representative, if any

- ☐ Fill in box if Form G-28 is attached to represent the applicant.

VOLAG #

ATTY State License #
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[Immigration Fundamentals, 2011: Top 10 Essentials of U.S. Immigration Laws: Visa Processing; plus Mock Adjustment of Status Interview](#)

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