

Filing Fee \$1225

I-485 APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS

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Who Qualifies?

- ☐ Immigrant Visa Immediately Available
- ☐ You are the spouse/child (derivative) on the principal's application
- ☐ You entered legally into the United States and are an IR
- ☐ You entered legally and have maintained legal status
- ☐ You qualify under 245(i)
- ☐ You are be admissible under section 212(a) of the INA

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Documents required:

Remember all foreign docs must be translated

- Approval Notice
- Birth certificate
- Proof of qualifying relationship
- Medical examination I-693
- Evidence of legal entry/ I-94 or “waive through”
- Discretionary evidence
- Biometrics

Be very careful with unlawful presence issues

- Money Order payable to “DHS” for \$1225
- If 245(i) eligible money order payable to “DHS” for \$1000-penalty fee
- If Petition filed after 1/14/98-proof of physical presence on December 21,2000



Court filings

Send to Texas Service Center

- Clear copy of I-485 and/or I-485A
- Instruction sheet
- Fee for \$1225 and/or \$1000
- G-28 Notice of Appearance

Optional benefits

- Employment authorization under category (c)(9) (Form I-765 to National Benefits Center)
- Travel not recommended if in proceedings (Form I-131)

I-864 Affidavit of Support

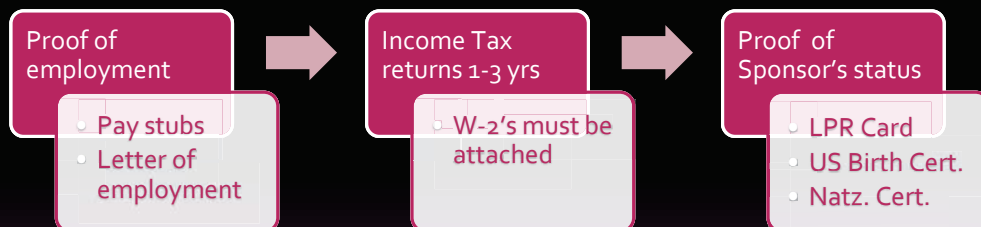
Required with every application for adjustment under the family based categories.

Check out the exemption for sponsors who have already worked 40 qualifying quarters!

Sponsor must meet the poverty guidelines established by USCIS- change slightly every year -Published as the I-864P on the USCIS website
www.uscis.gov

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Evidence required for I-864



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