

Filing Fee \$1225

I-485 APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS

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



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)

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