Table of Changes Form N-600K – Instructions OMB Control No. 1615-0087 20 Nov 12

Reason for Revision: USCIS is revising the template of the form to make it more user-friendly and easier to complete, as well as to accommodate enhancements to USCIS intake systems for Lockbox processing. USCIS is also revising the instructions to clarify them for applicants and to reflect current regulations. In the past, applicants' feedback has indicated that the instructions were difficult to understand, thereby making the form completion difficult; revision of the instructions and form is being made in response to that feedback. Additionally, the revisions will enhance adjudication abilities and USCIS support to applicants.

LOCATION	CURRENT LANGUAGE	PROPOSED LANGUAGE
Page 1, Instructions	Please read these instructions carefully to properly complete this form. If you need more space to complete an answer, use a separate sheet(s) of paper. Write your name and Alien Registration Number (A #), if any, at the top of each sheet of paper and indicate the section and number of the item to which the answer refers.	Deleted
Page 1, What is the Purpose of the Form	What Is the Purpose of This Form? This form, the N-600K is an application for the naturalization of a child who regularly resides outside the United States and for the issuance of a Certificate of Citizenship to the child.	The Purpose of Form N-600K (insert in screened box) This form is an application for U.S. citizenship (acquisition) and issuance of a Certificate of Citizenship under section 322 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the INA) for a child who regularly resides outside the United States.
Page 1, Who May Use This Form?	Who May Use This Form?	New heading and language changes Who May File (insert in screened box)

Page 1, Who May Use This Form? (cont'd)

The following individuals may use this form:

- 1. A U.S. citizen parent seeking citizenship on behalf of a minor adopted or biological child under section 322 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) (providing for citizenship through an application process for biological and adopted children who regularly reside outside of the United States and meet certain conditions while under the age of 18 years).
- 2. If a U.S. citizen parent of a child who otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of INA 322 has died, a U.S. citizen parent of the U.S. citizen parent or a U.S. legal guardian can file this application at any time within five years of the U.S. citizen parent's death.

This form may be filed on behalf of you, an eligible foreign-born child, by the following individuals:

Your U.S. Citizen Parent

The U.S. citizen parent with legal **and** physical custody of you, the biological or adopted child under 18 years of age. Your U.S. citizen parent must regularly reside outside the United States and seek naturalization for you under section 322 of the INA.

OR

If your qualifying U.S. citizen parent has died, this form may be filed within 5 years of your parent's death by your U.S. citizen grandparent or U.S. citizen legal guardian.

U.S. Citizen Grandparent A U.S. citizen parent of the U.S. citizen parent (your grandparent).

U.S. Citizen Legal Guardian A U.S. citizen legal guardian of you, the child, who is filing Form N-600K within 5 years of the death of your qualifying citizen parent. The U.S. citizen legal guardian does not have to meet the parental physical presence requirements under section 322 of the INA. Although the physical presence requirements need not be met by your legal guardian, the requirements must have been met by either your deceased U.S. citizen parent or by your U.S. citizen grandparent prior to your U.S. citizen parent's death.

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Who May File This Form? This form should be filed only if the child:

- 1. In the case of minor adopted or biological children (under 18 years) qualifying for citizenship under section 322 of the INA, the application must be filed by the U.S. citizen parent with legal and physical custody of the child.
- 2. In the case of an application filed by a U.S. citizen parent of a deceased citizen parent or of an application filed by a U.S. citizen legal guardian, the child does **not** have to be residing in the legal and physical custody of the applicant. The application can be filed and approved if the child is residing in the legal and physical custody of a person who does not object to the application.
- **3.** Will not yet have reached their eighteenth birthday at the time of fulfilling all of the requirements for citizenship, including the required interview of U.S. citizen parent and the child, and
- **4.** Is a biological child who is a legitimate child or is a child who was legitimated, while in the legal custody of the legitimating parent(s), prior to reaching the sixteenth birthday **or**
- 5. Is an adopted child who has a full and final adoption **and** the child either is the beneficiary of an approved I-600 or fulfilled the two-years legal custody, two-years joint residence requirements of INA section 101(b)(1)(E).

New Header on new instructions and new language inserted, moved to precede Who May File.

Who Is Eligible to File (insert in screened box)

General Requirements

You may acquire U.S. citizenship if you meet **all** the following criteria to be eligible for citizenship under section 322 of the INA:

- 1. Not married; and
- 2. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) must administer the oath of allegiance to you before you reach 18 years of age; and
- **3.** Regularly reside outside the United States; **and**
- **4.** In the legal **and** physical custody of your U.S. citizen parent; **and**
- 5. Have a U.S. citizen parent who has been physically present in the United States for a period or periods totaling at least 5 years at least 2 of which were after 14 years of age. If your U.S. citizen parent does not meet this requirement, your U.S. citizen parent's own U.S. citizen parent (grandparent) has to have been physically present in the United States for a period or periods totaling at least 5 years at least 2 of which were after 14 years of age; and

NOTE. In cases where your U.S. citizen parent died in the preceding 5 years, and Form N-600K has

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been properly filed on behalf of you by your U.S. citizen parent (grandparent) of your deceased citizen parent or by your U.S. citizen legal guardian, you do NOT have to be residing in the legal and physical custody of the person as long as the person who has legal and physical custody of you does not object to the Form N-600K.

6. Be temporarily present in the United States at the time of interview in lawful status pursuant to a lawful admission.

NOTE. It is the responsibility of the individual seeking your Certificate of Citizenship under section 322 of the INA to secure any visa or other document necessary for your lawful admission to the United States. USCIS cannot assist in obtaining any necessary visa or other document.

<u>Children of Members of the U.S.</u> Armed Forces

1. The entire process may be completed outside the United States if you are residing abroad with your U.S. citizen parent who is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces and you are authorized to accompany and reside abroad with the service member under official military orders. You do not need to demonstrate the temporary physical presence, lawful admission, and maintenance of status requirements to be eligible for naturalization under section 322 of the INA.

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cont'd)	2. A U.S. citizen who is, or was, serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and who seeks to have you obtain a Certificate of Citizenship under section 322 of the INA may count any time spent abroad on official U.S. military orders as part of the required 5 years of physical presence in the United States or its outlying possessions as long as you are residing abroad with that service member under official military orders at the time of filing.
	Section 322 For an Adopted Child
	As an adopted child of a U.S. citizen, you may acquire U.S. citizenship under section 322 of the INA only if you satisfy the specific provision of the U.S. immigration laws relating to adopted children that applies to your Form N-600K.
	Hague Convention Adoption Case
	If your U.S. citizen parent adopted you under the Hague Intercountry Adoption Convention, then you must submit your adoption decree, a copy of the approval notice for the Form I-800, Petition to Classify Convention Adoptee as an Immediate Relative, and the supporting evidence (other than the home study).

Orphan Case

If your U.S. citizen parent adopted you as an orphan under section 101(b)(1)(F) of the INA, then you

Page 1 (cont'd)		must submit your adoption decree, a copy of the approval notice for the Form I-600, Petition to Classify Orphan as an Immediate Relative, and the supporting evidence (other than the home study). This section continued on Page 3 of new instructions Any Other Adoption Case If your U.S. citizen parent did not adopt you under the Hague Intercountry Adoption Convention or as an orphan under section 101(b)(1)(F) of the INA, you must have: 1. Been adopted before your 16 th birthday (or before your 18 th birthday, as specified in section 101(b)(1)(E)(ii) of the INA); 2. Been in the legal custody of your adopting U.S. citizen parent for at least 2 years; and 3. Resided with your adopting U.S. citizen parent for at least 2 years of residing in the legal and physical custody of the adopting parent does not apply to an adopted orphan described in section 101(b)(1)(F) or (G) of the INA.
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Who May Not File This Form (cont'd)	stepchildren, children who are not legitimate and children who were not legitimated prior to their 16th birthday. Such children are not eligible for benefits under section 322 of the INA. Any person other than a citizen parent should not use this form except in cases in which a U.S. citizen parent has died.	 On behalf of you, the child, if you already acquired citizenship automatically under section 320 of the INA; By a U.S. citizen whose only relationship to you, the child, is a step-parent;
		3. By any person other than a U.S. citizen parent of you, the child, unless that parent has died;
		4. By any person once you, the child, are over the 18 years of age;
		5. By you if you are seeking to replace a lost or stolen certificate. Refer to Form N-565, Application for Replacement Naturalization/Citizenship Document, for information to replace a lost or stolen certificate; or
		6. By you if you previously filed a Form N-600K and received a USCIS denial. USCIS will reject (not accept) your newly filed Form N-600K. Review your Form N-600K denial notice for more information.
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Filing Fee?	The fee for Form N-600K is \$600 . Except for a person who is	When to File, with language changes.
	requesting a Certificate of	Cruirges.
	Citizenship for an adopted child, (checking Part 2, Box A or C on the form), all applicants must pay	What Is the Filing Fee (insert in screened box)
	the fee for filing Form N-600K, under section 322 of the INA.	The filing fee for Form N-600K is \$600 for a biological child and \$550 for an adopted child.
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citizen grandparent or U.S. citizen legal guardian filing in lieu of a deceased U.S. citizen parent, filing on behalf of an adopted minor child under section 322 of the INA (checking **Part 2**, **Box B on the form**), the fee for this is \$550.

waived. Applicants should submit a Form I-912, Request for Fee Waiver, or a written request, accompanied by documentation of the applicant's financial inability to pay the fee. To download a copy of Form I-912, including the instructions, click on the "FORMS" link on the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov.

Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for the Form N-600K fee

Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for your Form N-600K fee:

1. The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial institution located in the United States and must be payable in U.S. currency; and No Change

2. Make the check or money order payable to **U.S. Department of Homeland Security.**

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NOTE: Spell out U.S. Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials "USDHS" or "DHS."

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If you live outside the United States, Guam, or the U.S. Virgin Islands, contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or consulate for instructions on the method of payment.

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Notice To Those Making
Payment by Check. If you send
us a check, it will be converted into
an electronic funds transfer (EFT).
This means we will copy your
check and use the account
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Notice To Those Making Payment by Check

USCIS will make a copy and convert your original check into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means USCIS will use the account information on your check to electronically debit your account

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account will usually take 24 hours, and will be shown on your regular account statement.

You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be processed due to technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds, USCIS may try to make the transfer up to two times.

for the check amount. This debit usually takes 24 hours and should show up on your regular account statement.

USCIS will not return your original check. USCIS will destroy it and keep a copy with your file. If the EFT cannot be processed due to technical reasons, you authorize USCIS to process the copy of the check. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds, USCIS may try the EFT up to two times.

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If you receive an insufficient funds notice, USCIS will send you instructions on how to submit your penalty fee. **Do not** send a check for the penalty fee to the address where you filed your Form N-600K; your form will be returned to you.

How To Check If the Fees Are Correct

The form and biometric fees on this form are current as of the edition date appearing in the lower right corner of this page. However, because USCIS fees change periodically, you can verify if the fees are correct by following one of the steps below:

- 1. Visit the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov, select "FORMS," and check the appropriate fee; or
- **2.** Review the Fee Schedule included in your form package, if

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	375-5283 and ask for the fee	and ask for the fee information. For
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		767-1833.
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	to the USCIS Lockbox facility at	All specific mailing addresses
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	Phoenix, AZ 85036	
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	For Express Mail or courier	www.uscis.gov or call the USCIS
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	address:	at 1-800-375-5283 for the most
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		1833.
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page of your Form N-600K. To download a copy of Form G-1145, including the instructions, click on the "**FORMS**" link on the USCIS Web site at **www.uscis.gov.**

For Revision Date and Filing Addresses

The filing addresses provided on this form reflect the most current information as of the date this form was last printed. If you are filing Form N-600K more than 30 days after the latest edition date shown in the lower right corner, please visit the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov before you file, and check the FORMS page to confirm the correct filing address and version currently in use. Check the edition date located at the lower right corner of the form. If the edition date on your Form N-600K matches the edition date listed for Form N-600K on the online "FORMS" page, your version is current. If the edition date on the online version is more recent, download a copy and use it. If you do not have Internet access, call the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 to verify the current filing address and edition date. USCIS will reject forms with the wrong revision date and return the fee with instructions to resubmit the entire filing using the current form.

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Form Revision Date

If you are filing Form N-600K more than 30 days after the latest revision date shown in the lower right corner, please visit the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov before you file, and check the FORMS page to confirm the form version currently in use. If the revision date on your Form N-600K matches the revision date listed for Form N-600K on the online "FORMS" page, your version is current. If the revision date on the online version is more recent, download a copy and use it. If you do not have Internet access, call the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 to verify the edition date. For TDD (hearing impaired) call 1-800-767-1833. USCIS will reject forms with the wrong revision date and return the fee with instructions to resubmit the entire filing using the current form.

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	1. Type or print legibly in black ink.	1. Type or print clearly using black ink. Keep all information within the area provided.
	2. If extra space is needed to complete any item, attach a continuation sheet, indicate the item number, and date and sign each sheet.	If extra space is needed to answer any question, attach an additional sheet(s) of paper. You must provide the following information on the top of each sheet of paper:
		A. Your A-Number, if applicable;
		B. The date;
		This section continued on page 5 of the new instructions
		C. Question number; and
		D. Your signature.
Page 3 General Instructions	3. Answer all questions fully and accurately. State that an item is not applicable with "N/A." If the	This section Continued on Page 5 of the new instructions
(cont'd)	answer is "none," write none.	2. Answer all questions fully and accurately. Write N/A if an item is not applicable. Write None if the answer is none.
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		3. Avoid highlighting, crossing out, or writing outside the area provided for a response.
		Do not use highlighters on your Form N-600K as USCIS scanners

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turn highlighted areas black, making them unreadable. If you must edit your form, USCIS recommends you begin with a new Form N-600K rather than trying to white out information. USCIS scanners may see through the white correction tape or fluid and make your form incorrect possibly leading to processing delays or rejection. This may lead to incorrect information being captured in USCIS systems which may cause processing delays or a rejection of your Form N-600K.

Ensure that you are using the correct edition of the Form N-600K. The correct edition is available on the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov.

4. If the child has a USCIS "A" number, write the "A" number in the place indicated on the top right hand corner of the first page. Use the "A" number on the Permanent Resident Card (formerly known as the Alien Registration Receipt or "Green" Card), if the child has one. Otherwise, use the USCIS "A" number shown on the USCIS or former INS-issued correspondence about the child.

4. Provide your A-Number on the top right hand corner of each page (if applicable). Your A-Number is located on your Permanent Resident Card (formerly known as the Alien Registration or "Green" Card). The A-Number on your card consists of seven to nine numbers, depending on when your record was created. If the A-Number on your card has fewer than nine numbers, place enough zeros before the first number to make a total of nine numbers on Form N-600K. For example, write number A1234567 as A001234567 or write number A12345678 as A012345678.

Step 2. General Requirements.

Translations. Any document containing foreign language submitted to USCIS shall be

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Page 3 General Instructions (cont'd)	accompanied by a full English language translation which the translator has certified as complete and accurate, and by the translator's certification that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English.	Translations. You must provide a full English translation for any document written in a foreign language you submit to USCIS. The translator must certify that the translation is complete and accurate and that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English.
	Copies. Unless specifically required that an original document be filed with an application or petition, an ordinary legible photocopy may be submitted. Original documents submitted when not required will remain a part of the record, even if the submission was not required. Do not send an original Certificate of Citizenship or Certificate of Naturalization. USCIS may request that you present original documents at the interview.	Copies. You may submit copies of documents unless USCIS requests original documents. Original documents submitted when not required may remain a part of the record and will not be automatically returned to you.
Page 3 What Document or Evidence	What Documents or Evidence Must I Send With the Application? The following is a list of documents that must be submitted with the Form N-600K. Unless specifically noted otherwise, every applicant must submit each of the documents listed below for himself/herself and the U.S. citizen parent(s) (or grandparent(s) if applicable) through whom the applicant is claiming U.S. citizenship.	This section relocated to Page 2 of the new instructions under a new heading with language changes. Required Evidence (insert in screened box) Unless specifically noted otherwise, you must submit each of the documents listed below for you, your U.S. citizen parent, and your grandparent (if applicable), through whom you are claiming U.S. citizenship at the time of filing to avoid delays in processing your Form N-600K. USCIS may require verification for any or all information provided with your Form N-

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1. Photographs.

You **must** submit two identical color photographs of yourself taken within 30 days of the filing of this application. The photos must have a white to off-white background, be printed on thin paper with a glossy finish, and be unmounted and unretouched.

NOTE: Because of the current USCIS scanning process, if a digital photo is submitted, it needs to be produced from a high resolution camera, which has at least a 3.5 mega pixel.

Passport-style photos must be 2" x 2." The photos must be in color with full face, frontal view on a white to off-white background. Head height should measure 1" to 1 3/8" from top of hair to bottom of chin, and eye height is between 1 1/8" to 1 3/8" from bottom of photo. Your head must be bare unless you are wearing a headdress as required by a religious order of which you are a member. Using pencil or felt pen, lightly print your name and Alien Receipt Number on the back of the photo.

600K. You must bring documentation with you to your interview if information has been updated or has changed after filing.

NOTE. "You" and "your" in this section refers to the individual for whom a Certificate of Citizenship is sought. It is NOT the applicant's parent who may apply on the minor child's behalf.

Photographs. You must submit two identical passport-style color photographs of yourself. The photos must have a white to off-white background, be printed on thin paper with a glossy finish, and be unmounted and unretouched. If a digital photo is submitted, it must to be taken from a camera with at least 3.5 mega pixels of resolution.

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The photos must be 2" x 2" and must be in color with full face, frontal view on a white to off-white background. Head height should measure 1" to 1 3/8" from top of hair to bottom of chin, and eye height is between 1 1/8" to 1 3/8" from bottom of photo. Your head must be bare unless you are wearing headwear as required by a religious denomination of which you are a member; however, your face must be visible. Using pencil or felt pen, lightly print your name and Alien Registration Number (A-Number) on the back of each photo.

Page 3 What Document or Evidence... (cont'd)

- **2. Birth Certificate or Record of the Child** A certified birth certificate or record issued by a civil authority in the country of birth.
- **3. Birth Certificate or Record of the Citizen Parent** A certified birth certificate or record issued by a civil authority in the country of birth is required for applications filed by a U.S. citizen parent of a U.S. citizen parent.
- **4.** Marriage Certificate(s) Certified marriage certificate(s) issued by a civil authority in the state or country of marriage.
- **5. Documents Showing the Termination of a Marriage** Examples include a divorce decree, death certificate, or annulment document.
- 6. Proof of U.S. Citizenship Examples of this are birth
 certificates showing birth in the
 United States; an N-550, Certificate
 of Naturalization; an N-560,
 Certificate of Citizenship; an FS240, Report of Birth Abroad of
 United States Citizen; or a valid
 unexpired U.S passport.

Your Birth Certificate or Record issued and certified by a civil authority in the country of birth.

Birth Certificate or Record of Your U.S. Citizen Parent. If you apply, your parent must submit his or her birth certificate issued and certified by a civil authority in the country of birth. If your parent applies on your behalf, your parent must still submit his or her birth certificate issued and certified by a civil authority in the country of birth.

Marriage Certificate(s) of your U.S. Citizen Parent (*if applicable*), issued and certified by a civil authority in the State or country of marriage.

Documents Showing the Marriage Termination (*if* applicable). Certified divorce decree, death certificate, or annulment document.

Proof of U.S. Citizenship of Qualifying Parent or Grandparent. Examples of this are a U.S. birth certificate; Form N-550, Certificate of Naturalization; Form N-560, Certificate of Citizenship; Form FS-240, Report of Birth Abroad of United States Citizen; or a valid unexpired U.S passport.

NOTE: A passport must have been issued prior to your birth if it is being provided as proof of U.S. citizenship. You must provide additional documents including

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7. Proof of Legitimation - (Only required for applicants who were born out of wedlock).

Documents must establish legitimation according to the laws of the child's residence or domicile or father's residence or domicile (if applicable).

Legitimation for INA benefits requires that the child is in the legal custody of the legitimating parent(s) at the time of legitimation.

- **8. Proof of Legal Guardianship** Proof of legal guardianship issued by competent authority in the place of residence of the legal guardian must be submitted for any application filed by a legal guardian in lieu of a deceased citizen parent.
- **9. Proof of Legal Custody** (Only required for applicants whose U.S. citizen parent(s) divorced and/or separated and for applicants who are adopted or legitimated).
- 10. Evidence of Lawful Admission and Maintenance of Such Lawful Status (e.g. Form I-94, Arrival/Departure Record) (Required at time of interview for all applicants seeking citizenship under section 322 of the INA).

birth certificate or naturalization certificate as evidence that your parent was a U.S. citizen at the time of your birth if the passport was issued after your birth.

Proof of Legitimation. If you were born out of wedlock, then you must submit certified evidence establishing the proper legitimation. Documents must establish legitimation according to the laws of your residence or domicile. You must have been in legal custody of parent(s) at the time of legitimation.

Legal Guardianship Evidence (*if applicable*). Certified evidence of legal guardianship issued by the legal authority of the guardian's residence or domicile.

Proof of Legal and Physical Custody. In cases of divorce, legal separation, or legal adoption, evidence that the qualifying U.S. citizen parent has legal and physical custody of someone who does not object to the application.

Evidence of Lawful Admission and Maintenance of Such Lawful Status. Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Record is required, if available, at the time of interview for all children seeking citizenship under section 322 of the INA, except for eligible children of

Page 3 General Requirements (cont'd)		members of the U.S. Armed Forces. Regarding the Admission/travel document – provide the I-94 admission number which may have been received from U.S. Customs and Border Protection in connection with arrival and admission to the United States, or from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services if immigration status was granted within the United States. The I-94 number is on the Form I-94 Arrival-Departure Record, which may be noted as the Departure Number on some versions. If CBP did not provide a Form I-94 upon arrival/admission to the United States, a print out of the Form I-94 may be obtained according to the
	11. Proof of Required Residence or Physical Presence in the United States - Any document that proves the U.S citizen parent(s)' residence or physical presence in the United States. This proof may include but is not limited to the following: A. School, employment, military records; B. Deeds, mortgages, leases showing residence;	Proof of Required Physical Presence in the United States. Any document that proves your U.S citizen parent's physical presence in the United States. This pertains to your grandparents if your parent does not meet the requirement. For example: 1. School, employment, or military records; 2. Deeds, mortgages, or leases showing residence;
Page 4 General Requirements	C. Attestations by churches, unions, or other organizations;D. U.S. Social Security quarterly reports;	(continuing on Page 3 of new instructions) 3. U.S. Social Security Administration reports;

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E. Affidavits of third parties having knowledge of the residence and physical presence.

12. Proof of U.S. Citizen Grandparent(s)' Required Physical Presence in the United

States - (Only required for applicants seeking citizenship under section 322 of the Act whose U.S. citizen parent(s) does not meet the physical presence requirement of five years in the United States, two years of which were after the age of 14).

Documentation establishing that the U.S. citizen grandparent(s) met the required physical presence requirements.

13. Current Status of U.S. Citizen Grandparent.

An application filed by a citizen parent that relies on the physical presence in the United States of a citizen grandparent cannot be approved unless the citizen grandparent is a U.S. citizen, if living, or if deceased, was a U.S. citizen at the time of his or her death.

An application filed by any grandparent or legal guardian in lieu of a deceased citizen parent that relies on the physical presence of a citizen grandparent cannot be approved unless evidence is submitted that the citizen grandparent was a U.S. citizen and still alive at the time of the death of the citizen parent.

- 4. Attestations by churches, unions, or other organizations; **or**
- 5. Affidavits by third parties having knowledge of your residence and physical presence.

Current Status of U.S. Citizen Grandparent. Your grandparent must be a U.S. citizen, or must have been one at the time of death of your U.S. citizen parent, if your sponsoring U.S. citizen parent is using your grandparent's physical presence in the United States to meet that requirement.

NOTE for applications filed by the grandparent or legal guardian. Evidence must be

guardian. Evidence must be submitted to prove that your grandparent was a U.S. citizen and still alive at the time of your U.S. citizen parent's death if your U.S. citizen parent has died and your grandparent's physical presence is relied upon. Evidence must also be submitted to prove that your U.S. citizen parent died within the preceding 5 years.

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14. Copy of Notice of Approval of a Form I-600, Petition to Classify Orphan as an Immediate Relative, and Supporting Documentation for Such Form (Except Home Study) - (All adopted orphans applying under section 322 of the INA must either have this form or have complied with the two years legal custody and two years of joint residence requirement of INA 101(b)(1)(E)).

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Copy of Notice of Approval and Supporting Documentation, except home study (if applicable). Provide the following documentation:

1. Form I-600, Petition to Classify Orphan as an Immediate Relative;

OR

2. Form I-800, Petition to Classify Convention Adoptee as an Immediate Relative

NOTE. All adopted children seeking naturalization under section 322 of the INA must either have had Form I-600 **or** Form I-800 approved or have complied with the 2 years of legal custody and joint residence requirement of section 101(b)(1)(E) of the INA.

15. Copy of Full, Final Adoption Decree - (Only required for adopted applicants).

Copy of Full, Final Adoption Decree (if applicable).

16. Evidence of All Legal Name Changes.

Evidence of All Legal Name Changes. If you legally changed your name, submit evidence of an issued and certified document by the court that authorized the legal name change(s).

What If a Document Is Not Available?

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If it is not possible to obtain any one of the above-required documents, you must establish why What If a Document Is Unavailable?

You must provide a written

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the evidence is not available. You may be required to submit an original written statement from the relevant government or other authority explaining the reason for the unavailability of the document(s). You may submit the following **secondary evidence** for consideration. However, secondary documents that do not overcome the availability of primary documents may result in denial of the application:

1. Baptismal Certificate: A certificate under the seal of the church where the baptism occurred, showing the date and place of the child's birth, date of baptism, the names of the godparents, if known.

2. Church Records: A certificate under the church seal issued within two months of birth.

3. School Record: A letter from authorities of the school attended (preferably the first school), showing the date of admission to the school, the child's date of birth or age at that time, place of birth, and the names and places of birth

explanation of the reason(s) why a required document(s) is unavailable and submit secondary evidence to establish eligibility. Secondary evidence must overcome the unavailability of the required documents. USCIS may request an original written statement from the appropriate government or other legal authority to support your claim that the documents are unavailable.

The following types of secondary evidence may be submitted to establish eligibility.

Baptismal Certificate. Certificate under the church seal where your baptism occurred showing your:

1. Place of birth;

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- **2.** Date of birth;
- 3. Baptism date;
- 4. Parents' names: and
- **5.** Godparent(s) name(s), if known.

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School Record. An official letter from school authorities pertaining to the school attended (preferably the first school) showing your:

1. Date of admission to the school;

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of parents, if shown in the school records.

- **4. Census Records:** State or Federal census records showing the name(s) and place(s) of birth, and the date(s) of birth or age(s) of the person(s) listed.
- **5. Affidavits:** Written statements sworn to (or affirmed) by two persons who have personal knowledge of the claimed event (i.e., the date and place of a birth, marriage, or death). The persons may be relatives and need not be citizens of the United States. Each affidavit should contain the following information regarding the person making the affidavit: his/her full name and address; date and place of birth; relationship to the applicant, if any; full information concerning the event; and complete details concerning how he/she acquired knowledge of the event.

- 2. Place of birth;
- **3.** Date of birth or age at that time; and
- **4.** The name(s) and residence(s) of your birth parents, if shown in the school records.

Census Records. State or Federal census records showing your:

- **1.** Name;
- 2. Place of birth; and
- 3. Date of birth or age.

Affidavits (if other types of secondary evidence are not available). Written statements sworn to (or affirmed) by 2 people who have personal knowledge of the claimed event. Affidavits must overcome the unavailability of both required documents and secondary evidence. Examples of events you may submit an affidavit for include the following:

- **1.** Your place and date of birth;
- 2. Marriage; or
- 3. Death.

The people making these statements are not required to be U.S. citizens and may be relatives. Each affidavit must contain the following information about the person making the affidavit:

- 1. Full legal name;
- 2. Address;

		3. Place of birth;
		4. Date of birth;
		5. Relationship to you; and
		6. Detailed information about the event to include how they came to know about its occurrence.
Page 4 Step-By-Step Instructions	Step-By-Step Instructions.	This section relocated to Page 5 of the new instructions with language changes, rearrangement, and new questions
		Specific Form Instructions (insert in screened box)
	This form is divided into ten parts. The information below will help you fill out the form.	This form is divided into 11 parts.
	Part 1. Information About Your Child.	This section relocated to Page 5 of the new instructions with language changes.
	NOTE: If you are a U.S. citizen parent, grandparent or legal guardian applying for a certificate of citizenship on behalf of your minor biological, or adopted child, give information for your minor	General Items
	child.	
	A. Current Legal Name - The child's current legal name is the name on the birth certificate unless it has been changed after birth by a legal action such as a marriage, adoption, or court order.	Current Legal Name. Provide your legal name. This should be the name on your birth certificate, unless it has been changed after birth by legal action such as marriage, adoption, or court order. Do not provide a nickname.
	B. Name Exactly as It Appears on Your Permanent Resident Card (if applicable and if different from above). Write the child's name	This item relocated to Page 6 of the new instructions, Part 2. Information About You, the Child
	exactly as it appears on the card, even if it is misspelled.	Part 2. Information About You, the Child

Page 4 Step-By-Step Instructions (cont'd)		2. Name exactly as it appears on your Permanent Resident Card (if applicable). Provide your name exactly as it appears on the card even if it is misspelled. Write "N/A" if you do not have a permanent resident card. This item relocated to Page 6 of the new instructions, Part 2. Information About You, the Child, following Name exactly as it appears on your Permanent Resident Card
	C. Other Names Used Since Birth - If the child has ever used any other names since birth, write them in this section. If you need more space, use a separate sheet of paper.	3. Other names you have used since birth (include nicknames, if applicable). Provide any other name(s) you have used since birth. Attach an additional sheet(s) of paper if more space is needed.
	D. U.S. Social Security Number - Print the child's U.S. Social Security number. If the child does not have a Social Security number, write "N/A" in the space provided.	This item relocate to General Items on page 5 of the new instructions, following Current Legal Name
		U.S. Social Security Number. Print your U.S. Social Security Number. Write "N/A" if you do not have one.
Page 5 Step-by-Step Instructions (cont'd)	E. Date of Birth - Use eight numbers to show the child's date of birth (example: May 1, 1992, should be written 05/01/1992).	Date of Birth. Use eight numbers to show the date of birth. For example, May 1, 1992, must be written as 05/01/1992.
	F. Country of Birth - Give the name of the country where the child was born. Write the name of the country even if it no longer exists. If the name of the country has changed, write the name of the country as it was at the time of the child's birth.	Country of Birth. Provide the name of the country where the person was born. Write the name of the country even if the country's name has since changed or if the country no longer exists.

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- **G. Country of Citizenship/ Nationality** Write the name of the country of the child's citizenship/nationality.
- 1. If the country no longer exists and/or the child is stateless, write the name of the country where the child was last a citizen or national.

- **2.** If the child is a citizen or national of more than one country, write the name of the foreign country that issued the last passport.
- **H. Gender** Indicate whether male or female.
- **I. Height** Give the child's height in feet and inches.

Part 2. Information About the Child's Eligibility

Check the box that indicates why the child is eligible to apply for a Certificate of Citizenship.

If you are a U.S. citizen parent applying for a Certificate of Citizenship on behalf of a minor biological child, check the box in **Section A**. If you are a U.S. citizen parent applying for a Certificate of Citizenship on behalf of a minor adopted child, check the box in **Section B**. If you are the U.S. citizen parent of a deceased U.S.

These sections relocated to Page 6, Part 2. Information About You, the Child, following Other names used since birth.

- 7. Country of Prior Citizenship/Nationality. Provide the name of the country of your citizenship/nationality before you became a U.S. citizen.
- **A.** If the country no longer exists or you are stateless, provide the name of the country where you were last a citizen or national.
- **B.** If you are a citizen or national of more than one country, provide the name of the country that issued your latest passport.
- **8. Gender.** Indicate whether you are male or female.
- **9. Height.** Provide your height in feet and inches.

This section found on page 5 of the new instructions preceding General Items.

Part 1. Information About Your Eligibility

Check the box that indicates why you are eligible for citizenship under section 322 of the INA.

Box 1: Check this box if you are a U.S. citizen parent applying for citizenship on behalf of your eligible biological child.

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citizen parent applying for your grandchild, check the box in **Section C**. If you are the U.S. citizen legal guardian of an eligible child, check the box in **Section C**.

Box 2: Check this box if you are a U.S. citizen parent applying for citizenship on behalf of your eligible legally adopted child.

Box 3: Check this box if you are the U.S. citizen parent of the child's deceased U.S. citizen parent applying for your eligible grandchild. Also, check this box if you are the U.S. citizen legal guardian of such a child.

Part 3. Additional Information About the Child.

The information in this section should be about the child who will be issued the Certificate of Citizenship.

NOTE: If you are a U.S. citizen parent, grandparent, or legal guardian applying for a Certificate of Citizenship on behalf of a minor biological or adopted child, give information for your **minor child**.

A. Home Address - Give the address where the child now lives. Do not put post office (P.O.) box numbers here.

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This information relocated to page 5, General Items following Country of Birth on new instructions

Home Address. Provide the address where the person now resides. Do not write a Post Office (P.O.) Box number unless it is the person's ONLY address.

If the person resides outside the United States

If the person does not have a State or Province, enter the name of the city again in that box. If the person does not have a ZIP or Postal Code,

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B. Mailing Address - If the mailing address is the same as the home address, write "same." If the mailing address is different from the home address, write it in this part. Provide "Care Of" information if applicable.

C. Telephone Numbers -

Telephone numbers and e-mail addresses allow USCIS to contact you more quickly about the application. If you are hearing impaired and use a TTY telephone connection, please indicate this by writing "(TTY)" after the telephone number.

enter 00000 in the ZIP or Postal Code box.

This section now follows Height on page 6 of the new instructions

11. Mailing Address. Provide your mailing address even if it is the same as your home address. Provide "*in care of name*" information, if applicable. You must write something in every box except an apartment number or "C/O" if you do not have one within "Mailing Address."

NOTE. USCIS may not be able to contact you if you do not provide a complete and valid address. If USCIS does reject your Form N-600K, USCIS may not be able to return the fee for the Form N-600K to you if you do not provide a complete and valid address. If USCIS cannot return the fee, USCIS will cash your check.

This item located under General Items following, "If this person resides outside the United States" in two parts the new instructions

Telephone Numbers. Provide the person's current telephone numbers. If the answer is none, write "None." If you are hearing impaired and use a TDD telephone connection, please indicate this by writing "TDD" after the telephone number.

E-Mail Address. Provide the person's current e-mail address. If the person does not have an e-mail address, write "None."

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D. Current Marital Status - Check the marital status of the child on the date you are filing this application.

This item now located on page 6 under Part 2. Information About You, the Child, on the new instructions.

14. Marital Status. Check the marital status you have on the date you file this Form N-600K. Check "Other" if your marriage was otherwise legally terminated and explain.

E. Information About the Child's Entry Into the U.S. and Current Immigration Status -

Do not complete this section. The USCIS Adjudicator will complete this during the interview.

F. Previous Application for Certificate of Citizenship or U.S. Passport - If you know of any prior application for a Certificate of Citizenship or a U.S. passport (or you are a U.S. citizen parent who previously applied for a Certificate of Citizenship or U.S. passport for your minor child), indicate on a separate piece of paper what happened with the application and whether a Certificate of Citizenship or U.S. passport was or was not issued.

G. Information on Adoption - If the child was adopted, provide information as to the place and date of adoption.

H. Marital Status of Parents at Time of Birth (or Adoption) -Indicate whether the child's parents were married to each other at the time of the child's birth. If the child

15. Information About Your Entry Into the United States and Current Immigration Status.

Do not complete this part. The applicant will be asked to complete this part at the interview.

16. Previous Application for Certificate of Citizenship, or U.S. Passport. If you previously applied for a Certificate of Citizenship or a U.S. Passport (or you are a U.S. citizen parent who previously applied for a Certificate of Citizenship or U.S. Passport for your minor child), explain on an additional sheet(s) of paper what happened with that application and whether the Certificate of Citizenship or U.S. Passport was or was not issued.

17. Information on Adoption. Provide the necessary information requested.

18. Marital Status of Your
Parents at Time of Birth or
Adoption. Indicate whether your
parents were married to each other
at the time of your birth. If you

Page 5 Step-by-Step Instructions (cont'd)	was born out-of- wedlock, indicate "No," even if the parents subsequently married. If the child was adopted, indicate whether the adoptive parents were married to each other at the time of the adoption. Part 4. Information on Child's U.S. Citizen Father or Mother (or Adoptive Father or Mother). NOTE: If you are a U.S. citizen father or mother (or adoptive father or mother) applying for citizenship and a certificate of citizenship on behalf of your minor	were born out of wedlock, indicate "No" even if your parents subsequently married. If you were adopted, indicate whether your adoptive parents were married to each other at the time of your adoption. This section relocated to Page 6 of the new instructions with new headers and language changes. Part 3. Information About Your U.S. Citizen Biological or Adoptive Parent NOTE: Not all the questions are
	child, where information is requested about in this section, provide information about YOURSELF in the sections noted. If you are a U.S. citizen grandparent or legal guardian, provide information about the child's U.S. citizen PARENT in the sections noted.	explained in this part because they are located in the General Items section of Specific Form Instructions. Please go to that section for more information.
	A. Current Legal Name - Give current legal name	Delete
	B. Date of Birth - Use eight numbers to show	Delete
	C. Country of Birth - Give the	Delete
	D. Home Address - Give the	Delete
Page 6 Information about Child's U.S. Citizen Father or Mother Page 6 Information	E. U.S. Citizenship - Indicate how the U.S. citizen father or mother became a U.S. citizen. Provide all the requested information.	8. U.S. Citizenship. Provide all the requested information regarding how your parent became a U.S. citizen.

about Child's U.S. Citizen Father or Mother... (cont'd)

F. Loss of U.S. Citizenship - Indicate whether the U.S. citizen father or mother ever lost U.S. citizenship. Provide this information even if the U.S. citizen father or mother regained citizenship at a later date.

G. Residence and/or Physical Presence - Provide all ...

H. Marital History.

1. Write the number of times the U.S. citizen father or mother was married. Include any annulled marriages. If there was more than one marriage to the same spouse, count each time as a separate marriage.

- 2. If now married, provide information about the U.S. citizen father or mother's current spouse. Check appropriate box to indicate immigration status.
- **3.** Indicate whether the U.S. citizen father or mother's current spouse is also your parent. If "No," you will be asked to provide information about your father or mother's previous spouse or spouses.

9. Loss of U.S. Citizenship.

Provide information on an additional sheet(s) of paper if your parent ever lost U.S. citizenship regardless of whether it has since been regained.

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10. Marital History.

A. Write the number of times your qualifying U.S. citizen parent has been married, including annulled marriages. Count each marriage as separate if your parent married the same spouse more than one time.

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- **B.** Check the marital status your U.S. citizen parent has on the date you file Form N-600K. Check Other if your parents' marriage was otherwise legally terminated and explain.
- C. If your U.S. citizen parent is now married, provide information about your parent's current spouse. Check the appropriate box to indicate the spouse's current immigration status.
- **D.** Indicate whether your qualifying U.S. citizen parent's current spouse is also your biological or adoptive parent. If "No," USCIS may request additional information about your U.S. citizen parent's previous spouse(s).

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Part 5. Information About the U.S. Citizen Grandfather or Grandmother.

Complete This Section Only If:

- 1. You are a U.S. citizen parent, grandparent or legal guardian applying for citizenship on behalf of a United States citizen's adopted or biological child who regularly resides outside the United States:
- **2.** The U.S. citizen parent, **has not** been physically present in the U.S. for five years, two years of which were after the age of 14 years; and
- 3. If the eligible application is relying on the physical presence in the United States of the U.S citizen father or mother of the United States citizen parent (the child's grandfather or grandmother) to get citizenship for the adopted or biological child.
- **4.** The applicant should provide information about the U.S. citizen parent (the grandparent of the child) of the U.S. citizen father or mother in the sections noted.
- **A. Current Legal Name** Give current legal name ...
- **B. Date of Birth** Use eight numbers to show ...

(Insert new language)

11. Member of the U.S. Armed Forces. Provide information if your U.S. citizen parent is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces.

This section relocated to page 7 of the new instructions

Part 4. Information About Your Qualifying U.S. Citizen Grandparent

Complete this section only if your U.S. citizen parent **has not** been physically present in the United States for 5 years, 2 years of which were after 14 years of age. You are relying on the physical presence in the United States of the U.S citizen father or mother of your U.S citizen parent (your grandparent) to obtain your U.S. citizenship. You must provide information about the U.S. citizen parent of your U.S. citizen father or mother (your grandparent) in the sections noted.

NOTE: Not all the questions are explained in this part because they are located in the General Items section of Specific Form Instructions. Please go to that section for more information.

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Mother
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- **C. Country of Birth** Give the name of the country ...
- **D. Home Address** Give the...
- **E. U.S. Citizenship** Indicate how the U.S. citizen grandfather or grandmother became a U.S. citizen. Provide all the requested information.

F. Loss of U.S. Citizenship -

Indicate whether the U.S. citizen grandfather or grandmother ever lost U.S. citizenship. Provide this information even if the U.S. citizen grandfather or grandmother regained citizenship at a later date.

G. Residence and/or Physical Presence - Provide all the dates when the U.S. citizen ...

Delete

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8. U.S. Citizenship. Provide all the requested information regarding how your grandparent became a U.S. citizen.

9. Loss of U.S. Citizenship.

Provide information on additional sheets of paper if your grandparent ever lost U.S. citizenship regardless of whether it has since been regained.

This item relocated to page 7 of the new instructions as a new section

Part 5. Physical Presence in the United States From Birth Until Filing Form N-600K

Physical Presence. Provide all the dates when your biological or legally adoptive U.S. citizen father mother, or grandparent was in the United States. Include all dates from your birth until the date you file your Form N-600K.

NOTE: A U.S. citizen parent who is, or was, a member of the U.S. Armed Forces may count any time he or she resided abroad on official military orders towards the physical presence requirements under section 322(a)(2) of the INA as long as the applicant was residing abroad with the U.S. citizen parent per official military orders at the time of filing.

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Page 6	Part 6. Legal Guardian	This section relocated to Page 7 of
Information about Child's	Complete this next only for	the new instructions with
	Complete this part only for	language changes and new
U.S. Citizen Father or	applications filed by a legal guardian in lieu of a deceased U.S.	language insertion.
Mother	citizen parent.	Part 6. Information about Your
(cont'd)	Citizen parent.	Legal Guardian
		Complete this part only for Form N-600K filed by a legal guardian in lieu of a deceased U.S. citizen parent.
		Part 7. Preferred Date and Location for Interview
		Provide your preferences regarding when and where you would like to be interviewed. USCIS will consider your preferences.
		1. USCIS office (or City, State) for your interview. If a specific USCIS office is unknown, provide the preferred city and state for your interview; and
		2. Date. Your preferred interview date should be at least 90 days after you file this Form N-600K and must be before you turn 18 years old.
		NOTE: USCIS CANNOT immediately adjudicate your Form N-600K once you file the application.
		This section relocated to page 7 of the new instructions
	Part 7. The Child's Signature	Part 8. Your Signature
	The child must sign the Form N-600K as he or she normally signs his or her name. The child may	Sign your Form N-600K as you normally sign your name. You may place an "X" mark instead of a

place an "X" mark instead of a signature if she or he is unable to write in any language.

A parent or legal guardian may sign for the child if the child is less than 14 years of age. The child may also sign the Form N-600K on her or his own behalf without the child's parent's or legal guardian's signature.

signature if you are unable to write in any language.

A parent or legal guardian may sign for you if you are less than 14 years old. You may also sign your Form N-600K on your own behalf without your parent's or legal guardian's signature.

NOTE: USCIS will reject your Form N-600K if it is not signed. USCIS cannot accept copies of signed application or a typewritten name in place of a signature.

This section relocated to Page 7 of the new instructions with language changes.

Part 9. Signature of Person Who

Prepared This Form N-600K for

Part 8. Signature of Person Preparing Form, If Other Than Applicant.

If you do not fill out the Form N-600K yourself, the preparer must also sign, date, and give his or her address. If the preparer is a business or organization, its name must be included on the form.

If you prepared this form by yourself, leave this section blank. If someone filled out this form for you, he or she must complete this section. Your parent must complete this part if your parent

prepared this Form N-600K for you.

You (if applicable)

Part 9. Affidavit Do not complete this part. You will be asked to complete this part at the interview.

Part 10. Officer Report and Recommendation

Do not complete this part. This part is for USCIS use only.

Part 10. Affidavit No Other Changes

Part 11. USCIS Officer Report and Recommendation No Other Changes

Page 7 Processing Information

Processing Information

Acceptance. Any Form N-600K that is not signed or accompanied by the correct fee, except one accompanied by a fee waiver request, will be rejected. A Form N-600K that is not completed according to these instructions, is missing pages or otherwise not executed in its entirety, or is not accompanied by the required initial evidence may be rejected or delayed. If USCIS rejects your Form N-600K for the reasons above, the form and any fees will be returned to you, and you will be notified why the form is considered deficient. You may correct the deficiency and refile Form N-600K. An application or petition is not considered properly filed until accepted by USCIS.

Initial Processing. Once the application has been accepted...

Requests for More Information.

We may request more information or evidence, or we may request that you appear at a USCIS office for an interview. We may also request that you submit the originals of any copy. We will return these originals when they are no longer needed.

Processing Information (insert in screened box)

Any Form N-600K that is not signed will be rejected. A Form N-600K that is not completed according to these instructions, is missing pages or otherwise not executed in its entirety, or is not accompanied by the required initial evidence may be rejected or delayed. If USCIS rejects your Form N-600K for any of the reasons above, the form and any fees will be returned to you if you provided a complete and valid mailing address. You will be notified why the form is considered deficient. You may correct the deficiency and refile Form N-600K. An application is not considered properly filed until accepted by USCIS.

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This section relocated to page 8 of the new instructions

Requests for More Information or Interview

USCIS may request more information or evidence. USCIS may also request that you submit the originals of any copies you previously provided to USCIS with your Form N-600K. In addition, USCIS will request that you appear for an interview.

Page 7	Decision. The decision on Form	Decision
Processing Information (cont'd)	N-600K involves a determination of whether you have established eligibility for the requested benefit. You will be notified of the decision in writing.	The decision on Form N-600K involves a determination of whether you have established eligibility for the requested benefit. If you do not establish a basis for eligibility, USCIS will deny your Form N-600K. You will be notified of the decision in writing.
		Insert new language preceding What is the Filing Fee
		When To File (insert in screened box) In order for you, the applicant, to obtain U.S. citizenship through this Form N-600K:
		1. All the required evidence must be received and verified; and
		2. USCIS must administer oath of allegiance to you before you reach 18 years of age.
		You should file Form N-600K at least 90 days prior to the requested interview date, allowing USCIS time to review the Form N-600K as well as schedule the interview and send a timely appointment notice to the foreign address. USCIS will not schedule an interview date until it has determined that the Form N-600K is complete. Therefore, Form N-600K processing may be further delayed if any of the required information and evidence is

missing from the Form N-600K. Requests for a change in the designated local USCIS office may also delay processing.

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Address Changes

If you have changed your address, you must inform USCIS of your new address. For information on filing a change of address go to the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov/addresschange or contact the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283.

NOTE: Do not submit a change of address request to the USCIS Lockbox facilities because the Lockbox facilities do not process change of address requests.

USCIS Forms and Information.

You can get USCIS forms and immigration-related information on the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov. You may order USCIS forms by calling our toll-free number at **1-800-870-3676**. You may also obtain forms and information by telephoning our National Customer Service Center

NOTE: USCIS advises you and the U.S. citizen applicant to wait for the appointment notice from USCIS **before** traveling to the United States with the understanding that USCIS cannot assist the applicant in obtaining a visa(s) to enter the United States.

This section relocated to Page 9 of the new instructions, with language changes.

Address Changes (insert in screened box)

If you have changed your address, you must inform USCIS of your new address. For information on filing a change of address go to the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov/addresschange or contact the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283. For TDD (hearing impaired) call 1-800-767-1833.

NOTE. Do not submit a change of address request to a USCIS Lockbox facility because USCIS Lockbox facilities do not process change of address requests.

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at 1-800-375-5283.

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(INSERT NEW LANGUAGE on Page 9)

Attorney or Representative (insert in screened box)

You may be represented, at no expense to the U.S. Government, by an attorney or other duly accredited representative. Your representative must submit Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative, with your Form N-600K. Your representative may also submit the Form G-28 at the time of your interview. Form G-28 can be obtained by visiting the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov, calling the USCIS forms line number at **1-800-870-3676**, or by contacting the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-**375-5283**. For TDD (hearing impaired) call 1-800-767-1833.

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	USCIS Privacy Act Statement	This section relocated to Page 9 of the new instructions
		Privacy Act Notice (insert in screened box)
	AUTHORITIES: The information requested on this benefit request, and the associated evidence, is collected under the Immigration and Nationality Act, section 101, et. seq.	AUTHORITIES: The information requested on this form, and the associated evidence, is collected under the Immigration and Nationality Act, section 322, et. seq.
	PURPOSE: The primary purpose for providing the requested	PURPOSE: The primary purpose for providing the requested information on this benefit application is to determine if you have established eligibility for citizenship. We will use the information you provide to grant or deny the citizenship you seek. This section continued on page 10 of the new instructions
	DISCLOSURE: The information you provide is voluntary	No change
	ROUTINE USES: The information you provide	ROUTINE USES: The information you provide on this form may be disclosed to other

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Federal, State, local and foreign government agencies and authorized organizations in accordance with approved routine uses as described in the associated published system of records notice [DHS-USCIS-007 - Benefits Information System and DHS-USCIS-001 - Alien File, Index, and National Filed Tracking System of Records, which can be found at www.dhs.gov/privacy]. The information may also be made available, as appropriate, for law enforcement purposes or in the interest of national security.

(Insert new language on Page10 following Privacy Act Statement)

USCIS Compliance Review and Monitoring (insert in screened box)

By signing this form, you have stated under penalty of perjury (28 U.S.C. 1746) that all information and documentation submitted with this form is true and correct. You also have authorized the release of any information from your records that USCIS may need to determine eligibility for the benefit you are seeking and consented to USCIS verification of such information.

The Department of Homeland Security has the right to verify any information you submit to establish eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking at any time. USCIS legal right to verify this information is in 8 U.S.C. 1103, 1155, 1184, and 8 CFR parts 103, 204, 205, and 214. To ensure compliance with applicable laws

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and authorities, USCIS may verify information before or after your case has been decided. Agency verification methods may include, but are not limited to: review of public records and information; contact via written correspondence, the Internet, facsimile, or other electronic transmission, or telephone; unannounced physical site inspections of residences and places of employment; and interviews. Information obtained through verification will be used to assess your compliance with the laws and to determine your eligibility for the benefit sought.

Paperwork Reduction Act.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 1 hour and 35 minutes per response. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Regulatory Products Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529. Do not mail your application to this address.

This section relocated to Page 10 of the new instructions, following the new USCIS Compliance Review and Monitoring section.

Paperwork Reduction Act (insert in screened box)

An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The total public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 2 hours 5 minutes per response. This total includes 1 hour and 35 minutes for the time to review the instructions and completing the form, and 30 minutes to obtain passport style photographs. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this

Page 7 (cont'd)	burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Regulatory Products Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., 3 rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529-2140. OMB No. 1615-0087. Do not mail your completed Form N-600K to this address.