

I-601A, Application for Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver

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Purpose of Form

Certain immediate relatives of U.S. Citizens may use this form to request a provisional unlawful presence waiver under Immigration and Nationality Act Section 212 (a)(9)(B) and 8 CFR 212.7(e), before departing the United States to appear at a U.S. Embassy or consulate for an immigrant visa interview. For more information see the [Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver web page](#).

To file Form I-601A:

- You must be the beneficiary of an approved immigrant visa petition classifying you as an immediate relative of a U.S. citizen. An immediate relative is an individual who is the spouse, child (unmarried and under 21), or parent of a U.S. citizen.
- You must have already paid the Department of State immigrant visa processing fee (IV Fee) for the case associated with the approved immigrant visa petition.

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Where to File

Mail your Form I-601A to the Chicago Lockbox facility:

U.S. Postal Service

USCIS
P.O. Box 4599
Chicago, IL 60680

USPS Express Mail/Courier

USCIS
Attn: I-601A
131 S. Dearborn, 3rd Floor
Chicago, IL 60603-5517

Filing Fee

The fee is \$585. If you are younger than 79, you must also pay \$85 for biometric services.

Special Instructions

Since you will file your form at a USCIS Lockbox facility:

- Please read our [Lockbox filing tips](#).
- We will send you a text message and/or e-mail when your Form I-601A has been accepted if you complete Form G-1145, E-Notification of Application/Petition Acceptance, and clip it to the front of your petition.

To ensure your Form I-601A is accepted for processing:

- Pay the correct filing fee.
- Important! Submit a copy of your fee receipt for your Department of State immigrant visa processing fee. Place the fee receipt on top of the Form I-601A when you submit your application.
- Fill out the form completely and accurately, particularly these required fields:
 - Family Name
 - Home Address
 - Date of Birth
 - Receipt Number for your approved immediate relative petition (i.e., Form I-130 or Form I-360)
 - NVC Case Number
 - Immigrant Visa Interview Status
 - Signature

This page can be found at: <http://www.uscis.gov/i-601a>

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