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THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
NEWARK IMMIGRATION COURT

IMMIGRATION COURT Newark, New Jersey

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COURT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice (Wednesday, July 8, 2020): [EOIR to Resume Hearings in Non-Detained Cases at the Baltimore, Detroit, and Newark Immigration Courts \(PDF\)](#)

Standing Order (June 19, 2020): [Standing Order Regarding Telephonic Appearances For Master And Merits Hearing. \(PDF\) \(Appendix B\)](#)

Standing Order (April 22, 2020): [NEWARK-Immigration Court is imposing a three-month temporal filing limit on documents filed through email. \(PDF\)](#)

ABOUT THE COURT

The Newark Immigration Court falls under the jurisdiction of the [Office of the Chief Immigration Judge](#), which is a component of the [Executive Office for Immigration Review](#) under the [Department of Justice](#).

Address:

970 Broad Street, Room 1200
Newark, NJ 07102

Please see [Google Maps](#) for a map and directions to the immigration court.

Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.; 12:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.; 12:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Window hours: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. The window is closed from 12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Phone:

973-645-3524

This immigration court does not accept faxes. Unauthorized transmissions are not made part of the record and are discarded without consideration of the document or notice to the sender. Further, the only electronic submissions permitted are EOIR-28 forms unless such transmission is specifically requested. Immigration Court Practice Manual, 3.1(a)(vii).

Parking/transit:

https://moovitapp.com/index/en/public_transit-Immigration_Court_Newark-NYCNJ-site_24895325-121

Building access and security information:

AILA Doc. No. 20080301. (Posted 8/31/20)

The Public enters through the main security doors on Court Street all entering must go through the metal detectors. Government employees and government visitors can enter on Broad or Orchard Street with a PIV card.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Public Health Practices

The immigration court has put into place procedures to implement the guidance of public health officials. Please take note of the information below and be prepared to follow these and any additional instructions provided to you when you arrive for your hearing.

- Face coverings are required in EOIR space at all times. As needed, those children younger than two years old and those individuals with medical conditions that prevent them from wearing such a face covering are exempt from this requirement.
- To maintain appropriate social distancing and best facilitate hearings, you may be asked to move or leave a particular area.
- Waiting times to enter the building and EOIR space may be significantly longer than usual. Make arrangements to arrive in advance of your hearing so you arrive to the courtroom on time.
- Social distancing (maintaining a distance of six feet from those with whom you do not live) is required.
 - Please remember this while choosing to enter an elevator. Elevator wait times may be significantly longer than usual for this reason.
 - In EOIR space, staff or signs may direct you to a seat. If instructed to sit in a particular location, do not switch seats.
- Please do not bring people with you into EOIR space unless they are required to be present for your hearing. Remember that the immigration court may limit entry.

NOTICE



You **MUST WEAR A FACE COVERING** to enter and remain in EOIR space. Other building requirements may apply.



If you have symptoms or a diagnosis of COVID-19, please **DO NOT ENTER**.
Represented respondents, please call your attorney or representative.
Unrepresented respondents & representatives, please call the immigration court.



Practice social distancing - Stay **SIX FEET** (two arm lengths) away from others.



Practice **PROPER HYGIENE** by washing hands with soap and water or using alcohol-based sanitizer.

IMMIGRATION COURT STAFF

Immigration Judges:

David Cheng, Assistant Chief Immigration Judge

Shana W. Chen

David Cheng

Leo Finston

Denise A. Hinds Roach

Amanda R. Jeannopoulos

Leila A. Mullican

Alan Page

Laura Pierro

Arya S. Ranasinghe

Ramin Rastegar

Alberto Riefkohl

Shifra Rubin

Tamar H. Wilson

Court Administrator:

Yolanda English

IMMIGRATION COURT PROCEDURES

For information regarding procedures for practice before the immigration courts, please see the [Immigration Court Practice Manual](#).

HELPFUL LINKS AND INFORMATION

- The [U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services \(USCIS\)](#) and [Immigration and Customs Enforcement \(ICE\)](#) are part of the [Department of Homeland Security \(DHS\)](#) and are, therefore, separate from EOIR. For more information about those DHS offices, please see the following links:
 - [USCIS Asylum Office](#)
 - [USCIS field office](#)
 - [ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations Field Office](#)
 - [ICE Office of the Chief Counsel](#)
- **News Media/Congressional Inquiries:** News media and congressional inquiries regarding the immigration court must be directed to the EOIR Communications and Legislative Affairs Division (CLAD):

Communications and Legislative Affairs Division
 5107 Leesburg Pike, Suite 1902
 Falls Church, VA 22041
 703-305-0289 (phone)
PAO.EOIR@usdoj.gov

- **eRegistry:** Attorneys and accredited representatives are required to register with EOIR in order to represent aliens in immigration court. More information is available at the following link: [eRegistry Notice \(Newark\)](#).
- **Holidays and Emergencies:** The immigration court is open Monday to Friday except for federal holidays. The Office of Personnel Management publishes a list of the observed dates of every federal holiday by year online at this link: [OPM holidays](#). Additionally, the court may have to unexpectedly close due to inclement weather or another emergency. When necessary, information on immigration court closures or changes to the immigration court's operating hours is available at the following links: (1) [Twitter](#) and (2) [Facebook](#).
- **Pro Bono Legal Service Provider List:** Information on non-profit organizations and attorneys who may be able to provide representation at no cost to the respondent and on referral organizations that refer respondents to pro bono providers is available at the [Pro Bono Legal Service Provider List](#).
- **Legal Self-Help Center:** The EOIR, Office of Legal Access Programs has created numerous [self-help materials](#) with many helpful resources for respondents, including information on what to do if respondents have moved or missed a hearing.
- **Notarios:** EOIR warns respondents about immigration fraud perpetrated by *notarios* who claim to provide legal assistance but are unable to represent respondents in immigration court, provide legal services, or give legal

advice. For more information, please see the following documents:

- EOIR Notice, "[Do Not Be a Victim of Immigration Fraud: 'Notarios,' Visa Consultants, and Immigration Consultants are NOT Attorneys – They CANNOT Represent You in Immigration Court](#)" (July 22, 2009).
- Fact Sheet, "[EOIR's Programs to Fight Fraud, Abuse, and Ineffective Representation in Immigration Proceedings](#)" (March 2016).
- **Appeals:** Immigration court decisions are first appealable to the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA). Instructions on how to file an appeal and the Appeals Form EOIR-26, Notice of Appeal from a Decision of an Immigration Judge, are available online in the [E-26 and appeal instructions](#). The [BIA website](#) contains more information on the appeals process and procedure.
- **Virtual Law Library:** The EOIR [Virtual Law Library](#) (VLL) contains many other legal resources and country conditions research resources as well as other reference materials.
- **Observing court:** Generally, immigration court proceedings are open to the public. An overview of when immigration court hearings might be closed as well as general guidelines for behavior when observing immigration court hearings are available at the following link: [Observing Immigration Court Hearings](#). Note, the use of electronic devices, including audio/visual recordings of hearings and taking photographs, is prohibited in immigration court.

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