

Instructions for Petition to Remove Conditions on Residence

Department of Homeland Security U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services USCIS Form I-751 OMB No. 1615-0038 Expires 02/28/2026

What Is the Purpose of Form I-751?

This petition is used by a conditional permanent resident who obtained status through marriage to a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident (or through his or her parent's marriage to a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident), to request that U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) remove the conditions on his or her residence.

Who May File Form I-751?

If you were granted conditional permanent resident status through marriage to a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident, use Form I-751, Petition to Remove Conditions on Residence, to request the removal of those conditions.

If you have children who acquired conditional permanent resident status on the same day as you or within 90 days thereafter, then you may request that the conditions on your child's residence also be removed on your petition.

If you are a child who did not obtain conditional permanent resident status on the same day as your conditional permanent resident parent or within 90 days after your conditional permanent resident parent, or you are a child of a conditional permanent resident parent who is deceased, then you must file your Form I-751 jointly with your stepparent or request that the joint filing requirement be waived or individually filed.

NOTE: A conditional permanent resident child must either be included on his/her parent's Form I-751 or file his/her own Form I-751. This holds true even if the child has turned 21 or has subsequently married.

If the marriage upon which you obtained conditional permanent resident status still exists, then file your Form I-751 jointly with your spouse or stepparent through whom you obtained conditional status.

You may file your Form I-751 without your spouse or stepparent, if any of the following apply:

- 1. Your marriage or your conditional permanent resident parent's marriage was entered in good faith, but your spouse or stepparent subsequently died;
- 2. Your marriage or your conditional permanent resident parent's marriage was entered in good faith, but the marriage was later terminated due to divorce or annulment;
- **3.** Your marriage was entered in good faith and, during the marriage, you or your child were battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by your U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident spouse;
- 4. Your conditional permanent resident parent entered the marriage in good faith and, during the marriage, you were battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by your U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident stepparent or by your conditional permanent resident parent; or
- 5. The termination of your status and removal from the United States would result in extreme hardship.

Conditional Permanent Resident Status

Your conditional permanent resident status expires two years after you become a conditional permanent resident. Your Form I-551, Permanent Resident Card (also known as your Green Card), is valid for a period of two years after you became a conditional permanent resident and the expiration date is listed on your card.

NOTE: As a conditional permanent resident, you cannot file Form I-90, Application to Replace Permanent Resident Card, to renew your Permanent Resident Card once it expires. You must file Form I-751 to remove the conditions on your residence.

When Should I File Form I-751?

- 1. Filing jointly. If you are filing this petition jointly with your spouse (including any dependent children listed on your petition), you must file Form I-751 no earlier than the **90-day period** immediately before your conditional permanent resident status expires. If you are filing this petition jointly with your stepparent, you must file it before your conditional permanent resident status expires.
- 2. Filing individually or request that the joint filing requirement be waived. If you are filing this petition without your spouse or stepparent, you may file this petition at any time after you are granted conditional permanent resident status but before you are removed from the United States.
- **3.** Effect of not filing. If this petition is not filed, you will lose your permanent resident status. You will then become removable from the United States.

NOTE: If you file your petition late, you must request in writing that USCIS excuse the late filing. Your request must include an explanation as to the reason(s) you are filing your petition late. (Please explain the reason for your late filing in your Form I-751 under **Part 11. Additional Information**.) Failure to file before the expiration date may only be excused if you can demonstrate that there was good cause and extenuating circumstances for your failure to timely file the petition. If you file late, you may lose your permanent resident status.

Form I-751 Petitions Involving Forced Marriage

A forced marriage is a marriage that occurs without the consent of one or both parties. The United States Government is opposed to forced marriage and considers it to be a serious human rights abuse. A victim of a forced marriage is distinct from an individual who intentionally enters into a marriage solely for the purpose of obtaining an immigration benefit.

If you have been or are being forced into marriage, you are not at fault and you have not violated any U.S. laws by entering into the marriage. For more information, including resources that may be available to you, visit the USCIS website on forced marriage at <u>https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian/forced-marriage</u> and the U.S. Department of State's webpage on forced marriage at <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/emergencies/forced-marriage.html</u>.

People who force others to marry may be charged with a crime or other violations of state law, such as domestic violence, child abuse, rape, assault, kidnapping, threats of violence, stalking, and/or coercion. Foreign nationals who force someone to marry may also face significant immigration consequences, such as being inadmissible to or deported from the United States.

General Instructions

We provide free forms through the USCIS website. To view, print, or complete our forms, you should use the latest version of Adobe Reader, which you can download for free at <u>http://get.adobe.com/reader/</u>. If you do not have internet access, you may call the USCIS Contact Center and ask that we mail a form to you.

Signature. You (or your signing authority) must properly complete your petition. USCIS will not accept a stamped or typewritten name in place of any signature on this petition. If you are under 14 years of age, your parent or legal guardian may sign the petition on your behalf. A legal guardian may also sign for a mentally incompetent person. If your petition is not signed, or if the signature is not valid, we will reject your petition. See 8 CFR 103.2(a)(7)(ii)(A). If USCIS accepts a request for adjudication and determines that it has a deficient signature, USCIS will deny the request.

Validity of Signatures. USCIS will consider a photocopied, faxed, or scanned copy of an original handwritten signature as valid for filing purposes. The photocopy, fax, or scan must be of the original document containing the handwritten ink signature.

Filing Fee. See USCIS Form G-1055, Fee Schedule, available at <u>www.uscis.gov/g-1055</u>, for all information on filing fees.

Evidence. When you file your petition, you must submit all evidence and supporting documentation listed in the **What Evidence Must You Submit** section of these Instructions.

Biometric Services Appointment. USCIS may require that you appear for an interview or provide biometrics (fingerprints, photograph, and/or signature) at any time to verify your identity, obtain additional information, and conduct background and security checks, including a check of criminal history records maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), before making a decision on your application or petition. If we determine that a biometrics services appointment is necessary, we will send you an appointment notice with the date, time, and location of your appointment. If you are currently overseas, your notice will instruct you to contact a U.S. Embassy, U.S. Consulate, or USCIS office outside the United States to schedule an appointment.

At your biometrics appointment, you must sign an oath reaffirming that:

- 1. You provided or authorized all information in the petition;
- 2. You reviewed and understood all of the information contained in, and submitted with, your petition; and
- 3. All of this information was complete, true, and correct at the time of filing.

If you do not attend your biometric services appointment, we may deny your petition.

Copies. You should submit legible photocopies of requested documents unless the Instructions specifically instruct you to submit an original document. USCIS may request an original document at any time during our process. If we request an original document from you, we will return it to you after USCIS determines it no longer needs the original.

NOTE: If you submit original documents when they are not required or requested, USCIS may destroy them after we receive them.

Translations. If you submit a document with information in a foreign language, you must also submit a full English translation. The translator must sign a certification that the English language translation is complete and accurate, and that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English. The certification must also include the translator's signature, printed name, the signature date, and the translator's contact information.

USCIS Contact Center. For additional information on the petition and Instructions about where to file, change of address, and other questions, visit the USCIS Contact Center at <u>www.uscis.gov/contactcenter</u> or call at **800-375-5283** (TTY **800-767-1833**). The USCIS Contact Center provides information in English and Spanish.

Disability Accommodations/Modifications. To request a disability accommodation/modification, follow the instructions on your appointment notice or at <u>www.uscis.gov/accommodationsinfo</u>.

How to Complete Form I-751

- 1. Type or print legibly in black ink.
- If you need extra space to complete any item within this petition, use the space provided in Part 11. Additional
 Information or attach a separate sheet of paper; type or print your name and Alien Registration Number (A-Number)
 (if any) at the top of each sheet; indicate the Page Number, Part Number, and Item Number to which your answer
 refers; and sign and date each sheet.

- **3.** Answer all questions fully and accurately. If a question does not apply to you (for example, if you have never been married and the question asks "Provide the name of your current spouse"), type or print "N/A," unless otherwise directed. If your answer to a question which requires a numeric response is zero or none (for example, "How many children do you have" or "How many times have you departed the United States"), type or print "None," unless otherwise directed.
- 4. Country of Citizenship or Nationality. Provide the name of the country where you are a citizen and/or national. This is not necessarily the country where you were born. If you do not have citizenship in any country, type or print "stateless" and provide an explanation in Part 11. Additional Information.
- 5. USCIS Online Account Number. You will only have a USCIS Online Account Number (OAN) if you previously filed a form that has a receipt number that begins with IOE. If you filed the form online, you can find your OAN in your account profile. If you mailed us the form, you can find your OAN at the top of the Account Access Notice we sent you. If you do not have a receipt number that begins with IOE, you do not have an OAN. The OAN is not the same as an A-Number.
- 6. U.S. Mailing Address. For Part 1., Item Numbers 17.a. 17.f., you must provide a valid mailing address in the United States. You may provide a valid U.S. residence, APO, or commercial address. You may also provide a U.S. Post Office address (PO Box) if that is how you receive your mail. If your mail is sent to someone other than yourself, please include an "In Care of Name" as part of your mailing address. If your U.S. mailing address is in a U.S. territory and it contains an urbanization name, provide the urbanization name in the "In Care of Name" space provided. Do not use the attorney's or other legal representative's address.
- 7. Safe Address. For Part 1., Item Numbers 18.a. 18.f., if you are applying for a waiver of the joint filing requirement because you and/or your conditional permanent resident child were subjected to battery or extreme cruelty and you do not feel safe receiving mail about this petition at your home address, provide a safe mailing address in Part 1., Item Numbers 18.a. 18.f. This safe address may be a post office box, the address of a friend, your attorney, a community-based organization that is helping you, or any other address where you can safely and timely receive mail. If you have an attorney or accredited representative, you may also direct USCIS to send your correspondence to his or her business address by selecting the applicable item(s) on Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Accredited Representative.

If you do not provide a safe address in **Part 1.**, **Item Numbers 18.a.** - **18.f.**, USCIS may use the U.S. Mailing Address you provided in **Part 1.**, **Item Numbers 17.a.** - **17.f.** or the address of the preparer if you listed one on your Form I-751.

- 8. Physical Address. For Part 1., Item Numbers 19.a. 23.h., provide physical addresses for everywhere you have lived since becoming a conditional permanent resident, whether inside or outside of the United States. Provide your current physical address first. If you need extra space to complete this section, use the space provided in Part 11. Additional Information.
- **9.** Social Media. Item Number 24. Social Media Identifiers(s) Over Past Five (5) Years/Platform. Provide all social media handles, identifiers, or usernames used on social media over the past five years. For each handle/identifier/ username, provide the associated social media platform. Social media platforms include Facebook, X, Instagram, etc. If the social media platform does not use a handle, provide the relevant associated identifiable information used to access the platform (for example, email, phone number).

NOTE: USCIS will not use social media handle information to communicate with the applicant. USCIS will not "friend" or "follow" any petitioners on social media.

- **10.** Part 2. Basis for Petition. Select the basis on which you are filing your Form I-751.
- Part 3. Additional Information About You. If you are currently married to the U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident spouse through whom you gained your conditional permanent residence, you do not need to complete Item Numbers 7.a. 12.c. You will provide this information in Part 5. of your petition.

- 12. Part 4. Your Biographic Information. Provide the biographic information in Part 4. Providing this information as part of your petition may reduce the time you spend at your USCIS ASC appointment as described in the Biometric Services Appointment section of these Instructions.
 - A. Ethnicity and Race. Select the boxes that best describe your ethnicity and race.
 - B. Categories and Definitions for Ethnicity and Race.
 - (1) Hispanic or Latino. A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. (NOTE: This category is only included under Ethnicity in Part 4., Item Number 1.)
 - (2) American Indian or Alaska Native. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
 - (3) Asian. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
 - (4) Black or African American. A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
 - (5) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
 - (6) White. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
 - **C. Height.** Select the values that best match your height in feet and inches. For example, if you are five feet and nine inches, select "5" for feet and "09" for inches. Do not enter your height in meters or centimeters.
 - **D.** Weight. Enter your weight in pounds. If you do not know your weight or need to enter a weight under 30 pounds or over 699 pounds, enter "000." Do not enter your weight in kilograms.
 - E. Eye Color. Select the box that best describes the color of your eyes.
 - F. Hair Color. Select the box that best describes the color of your hair.
- 13. Part 5. Information About the U.S. Citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident Spouse or Stepparent Through Whom You Gained Your Conditional Permanent Residence. Provide information about the U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident spouse or stepparent through whom you gained your conditional permanent resident status.
- 14. Part 6. Information About Your Children. Provide information about your children. The term "children" includes all biological children or legally adopted children as well as current stepchildren, of any age, whether born in the United States or other countries, married or unmarried, living with you or elsewhere and including any missing children and those born to you outside of marriage.
- **15.** Part 7. Conditional Permanent Resident's Statement, Contact Information, Certification, and Signature. Select the appropriate box to indicate whether you read this petition yourself or whether you had an interpreter assist you. If someone assisted you in completing the petition, select the box indicating that you used a preparer. Further, you must sign and date your petition and provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone number (if any), and email address (if any). Every petition **MUST** contain the signature of the conditional permanent resident (or parent or legal guardian, if applicable). A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.
- 16. Part 8. Spouse's or Stepparent's Statement, Contact Information, Certification, and Signature (if applicable). Select the appropriate box to indicate whether your spouse or stepparent read this petition or whether he or she had an interpreter assist. If someone assisted your spouse or stepparent in completing the petition, select the box indicating that you used a preparer. Further, your spouse or stepparent must sign and date your petition and provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone number (if any), and email address (if any).

NOTE: If you are filing your Form I-751 individually or requesting that the joint filing requirement be waived, your spouse or stepparent does not need to sign the petition.

- 17. Part 9. Interpreter's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature. If you used anyone as an interpreter to read the Instructions and questions on this petition to you in a language in which you are fluent, the interpreter must fill out this section; provide his or her name, the name and address of his or her business or organization (if any), his or her daytime telephone number, his or her mobile telephone number (if any), and his or her email address (if any). The interpreter must sign and date the petition.
- 18. Part 10. Contact Information, Declaration, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Petition, if Other Than the Conditional Permanent Resident. This section must contain the signature of the person who completed your petition, if other than you, the conditional permanent resident. If the same individual acted as your interpreter and your preparer, that person should complete both Part 9. and Part 10. If the person who completed this petition is associated with a business or organization, that person should complete the business or organization name and address information. Anyone who helped you complete this petition MUST sign and date the petition. A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable. If the person who helped you prepare your petition is an attorney or accredited representative, he or she may also need to submit a completed Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Accredited Representative, along with your petition.

We recommend that you review your copy of your completed petition before you come to your biometric services appointment at a USCIS ASC. At your appointment, USCIS will allow you to complete the petition process only if you are able to confirm, under penalty of perjury, that all of the information in your petition is complete, true, and correct. If you are not able to make that attestation in good faith at that time, USCIS will require you to return for another appointment.

What Evidence Must You Submit?

You must submit all evidence required in these Instructions with your petition. If you fail to submit required evidence, USCIS may reject or deny your petition in accordance with 8 CFR 103.2(b)(1) and these Instructions.

Permanent Resident Card

You must submit copies of the Permanent Resident Card for you and any children who are applying with you. Submit copies of both front and back sides of the card(s). If you do not have your Form I-551, submit a copy of your Form I-797, Notice of Action, for the form that should have resulted in the issuance of your Permanent Resident Card, or a copy of the page in your passport showing the I-551 stamp you received upon admission if you were admitted as an immigrant.

Evidence if Overseas on Military or Government Orders

Those who reside overseas pursuant to military or government orders, including conditional permanent resident dependent children residing overseas and listed under **Part 6. Information About Your Children** of the petition, must answer **Part 1.**, **Item Numbers 14. - 15.** and must submit the following items with Form I-751:

1. You **must** submit color photographs for each conditional permanent resident and dependent, regardless of age, taken within 30 days of filing this petition.

The two identical color passport-style photos must be 2 by 2 inches. 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 inches from top of your hair to the bottom of your chin, and eye height should measure between 1 1/8 to 1 3/8 inches from the top of your eyes to the bottom of the photo. Your head must be bare unless you are wearing headwear as required by a religious denomination of which you are a member. Using a pencil or felt pen, lightly print your name and Alien Registration Number (A-Number) (if any) on the back of the photo;

- 2. Two completed fingerprint cards (Form FD-258) for each conditional permanent resident and dependent children 14 to 79 years of age. You must type or print your A-Number on the fingerprint card and ensure that the completed cards are not bent, folded, or creased. The fingerprint cards must be prepared by a U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate, USCIS Office, or U.S. military installation and all fields on the must be completed; and
- 3. A copy of your current military or government orders.

Evidence of the Relationship

Submit evidence demonstrating that the marriage upon which you obtained conditional permanent resident status was entered into in good faith and not for the purpose of evading immigration laws. USCIS recommends that you submit evidence from the date of your marriage to the present. If that marriage has ended, submit evidence to demonstrate any circumstances surrounding the end of the relationship. The evidence may include, but is not limited to, the following examples:

- 1. Documentation of children resulting from the relationship, for example, birth certificates (certified and registered with the appropriate civil authority) of children born during the time of this relationship or adoption decrees of children adopted by the conditional permanent resident and/or U.S. Citizen/lawful permanent resident or parent and stepparent, if any;
- 2. Documents showing joint ownership and/or occupancy of a communal residence, such as lease, deeds, or mortgage contracts;
- 3. Financial records showing joint ownership of assets and joint responsibility for liabilities such as: joint checking and savings account statements showing deposits or withdrawals for the period of the marriage; insurance policies that show the other spouse as the beneficiary; joint federal and state tax returns; joint utility bills; and other loans or credit cards statements. If applicable, submit copies of military Leave and Earnings Statements showing receipt of Basic Allowance for Quarters (BAQ) with family members and/or Form DD-1172 for military family member identification cards.
- 4. Other evidence to establish that the marriage was entered into in good faith and not for the purpose of evading U.S. immigration laws; and
- 5. Affidavits sworn to or affirmed by at least two individuals who have known both parties to the marriage since your conditional permanent resident status was granted and have personal knowledge of that marriage and relationship (such individuals may be required to testify before an immigration officer as to the information contained in the affidavit). The original affidavit must be submitted and also contain the following information regarding the individual making the affidavit: his or her full name and address; date and place of birth; relationship to either party to the marriage, if any; and full information and complete details explaining how the individual acquired his or her knowledge. Affidavits must be supported by other types of evidence listed above.

NOTE: Submission of evidence demonstrating that the marriage upon which you obtained conditional permanent resident status was entered into in good faith is not required if you are requesting a waiver of the joint filing requirement on the basis that termination of your status and removal from the United States would result in extreme hardship.

If you are a child filing separately from your conditional permanent resident parent, submit a full explanation as to why you are filing separately, along with copies of any supporting documentation. For example, if you are filing separately from your conditional permanent resident parent because your conditional permanent resident parent is deceased, please submit a copy of the death certificate.

If your spouse or stepparent has died, submit a copy of the death certificate with your petition, along with evidence of the qualifying relationship.

If the marriage upon which your conditional permanent resident status was obtained has been terminated, submit a copy of the final divorce decree or other document terminating or annulling the marriage with your petition, along with evidence of the qualifying relationship. If you are requesting a waiver of the joint filing requirement on this basis but you or your conditional permanent resident parent are legally separated and/or have filed for divorce or annulment from the spouse upon which your conditional permanent resident status was obtained, USCIS will issue a Request for Evidence to require you to provide proof that the marriage was terminated.

If you and/or your conditional permanent resident children were battered or subjected to extreme cruelty, submit:

Any credible evidence of the abuse, such as protection orders, police reports, court records, medical records, reports from social services agencies, a statement from you signed under penalty of perjury detailing abuse suffered since your admission to the United States, and/or affidavits from third parties who can knowledgeably attest to the abuse you experienced. You may also submit evidence that you sought safe haven in a shelter for the abused or similar refuge, as well as photographs evidencing your injuries.

Battery or extreme cruelty includes physical and non-physical acts of violence, which results or threatens to result in physical or mental injury. Battery is an intentional, nonconsensual, harmful or offensive physical act of violence. Some examples include, but are not limited to, rape, molestation, forced prostitution, slapping, punching, biting, kidnapping, kicking, choking, and sexual abuse. Extreme cruelty is considered to be non-physical acts of violence or threats of violence demonstrating a pattern or intent by your U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident spouse or stepparent or conditional permanent resident parent to gain compliance from or control over you.

Although you generally must demonstrate entry into a valid marriage, the law provides protection if you believed that you entered into a valid marriage to a U.S. citizen, but the marriage was invalid solely due to bigamy on the part of your abusive spouse. In such cases, you may be eligible for a waiver of the joint filing requirement, based on battery or extreme cruelty by your U.S. citizen spouse if you can establish each of the following requirements with any available credible evidence:

- 1. You married a U.S. citizen under the belief that your spouse was not already married and therefore free to enter into a marriage;
- 2. A marriage ceremony was actually performed; and
- 3. A bona fide marriage is otherwise established.

NOTE: If you and/or your conditional permanent resident child were battered or subjected to extreme cruelty and you do not know the answer to a question in **Part 5. Information about the U.S. Citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident Spouse or Stepparent Through Whom You Gained Your Conditional Permanent Residence**, type or print "Unknown," unless otherwise directed.

NOTE: If you and/or your conditional permanent resident child were battered or subjected to extreme cruelty, you may file your petition with any credible evidence relevant to the requirements to remove conditions on your residence. The determination of what evidence is credible and the weight to be given that evidence is within the sole discretion of USCIS. Therefore, you are encouraged to provide evidence of all the requirements to remove conditions on your residence.

If you are filing for a waiver of the joint filing requirement because the termination of your status and removal would result in "extreme hardship," you must submit evidence that your removal would result in extreme hardship. Any removal from the United States is likely to result in a certain degree of hardship; however, only in those cases where the hardship is extreme does USCIS grant a waiver. USCIS will only consider evidence relating to factors that arose during the two-year period for which you were admitted as a conditional permanent resident.

Evidence That the Marriage Was Not Entered Into Solely For Immigration Purposes

If you or anyone else paid a fee or other consideration to the petitioning spouse or stepparent in order to enter into the marriage that formed the basis for the petition, provide a detailed explanation in **Part 11. Additional Information** or on a separate sheet of paper. A detailed explanation may include information such as who paid the fee and to whom it was paid, the amount of the fee, and why the fee was paid, as well as any other relevant information.

Criminal History

If you have ever been arrested or detained by any law enforcement officer for any reason, either in the United States or abroad, and no charges were filed, submit an original official statement by the arresting agency or applicable court order confirming that no charges were filed.

If you have ever been arrested or detained by any law enforcement officer for any reason, either in the United States or abroad, and charges were filed, or if charges were filed against you without an arrest, submit an original or court-certified copy of the complete arrest record and/or disposition for each incident (for example, dismissal order, conviction record, or acquittal order).

If you have ever been convicted or placed in an alternative sentencing program or rehabilitative program (such as a drug treatment or community service program), submit:

- 1. An original or court-certified copy of your sentencing record for each incident, and evidence that you completed your sentence, specifically;
 - A. An original or certified copy of your probation or parole record; or
 - B. Evidence that you completed an alternative sentencing program, or rehabilitative program;
- 2. An original or court-certified copy of the court order vacating, setting aside, sealing, expunging, or otherwise removing the arrest or conviction; or
- 3. If no record is available, an original statement from the court that no record exists of your arrest or conviction.

NOTE: Unless a traffic incident was alcohol or drug related, you do not need to submit documentation for traffic fines and incidents that did not involve an actual arrest if the only penalty was a fine of less than **\$500** and/or points on your driver's license.

Where to File?

Please see our website at <u>www.uscis.gov/I-751</u> for the most current information about where to file this petition.

Address Change

If you are not a U.S. citizen, you must notify USCIS of your new address within 10 days of moving from your previous residence. For information on changing your address, go to our website at <u>www.uscis.gov/addresschange</u>, or call the USCIS Contact Center.

NOTE: If you selected **Item Number 1.e.** or **1.f.** in **Part 2. Basis for Petition**, you may NOT file a change of address request through the USCIS website or by calling the USCIS National Customer Service Center. You must file a paper Form AR-11, Alien's Change of Address Card. Please see <u>www.uscis.gov/addresschange</u> for information on where to submit you AR-11.

NOTE: Do not submit a change of address request to the USCIS Lockbox.

Processing Information

You must have a United States address to file this petition.

Initial Processing. Once USCIS accepts your petition, we will check it for completeness. If you do not properly complete this petition, you will not establish a basis for your eligibility and we may reject or deny your petition.

Requests for More Information. USCIS may request that you provide more information or evidence to support your petition. We may also request that you provide the originals of any copies you submit. If we request an original document from you, we will return it to you after USCIS determines it is no longer needed.

Requests for Interview. We may request that you, and your spouse or stepparent if you are filing jointly, appear at a USCIS office for an interview based on your petition. During your interview, USCIS may require you to provide your biometrics to verify your identity and/or update background and security checks.

Decision. The decision on Form I-751 involves a determination of whether you have established eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking. USCIS will notify you of our decision in writing.

USCIS Forms and Information

To ensure you are using the latest version of this petition, visit <u>www.uscis.gov</u>.

Penalties

If you knowingly and willfully falsify or conceal a material fact or submit a false document with your Form I-751, we will deny your petition and may deny any other immigration benefit. In addition, you will face severe penalties provided by law and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

NOTE: If you have been or are being forced into marriage, you are not at fault and you have not violated any U.S. laws by entering into the marriage. For more information, including resources that may be available to you, visit the USCIS webpage on forced marriage at <u>https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian/forced-marriage</u> and the U.S. Department of State's webpage on forced marriage at <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/emergencies/forced-marriage.html</u>.

People who force others to marry may be charged with a crime or other violations of state law, such as domestic violence, child abuse, rape, assault, kidnapping, threats of violence, stalking, and/or coercion. People who force someone to marry may also face significant immigration consequences, such as being inadmissible to or deported from the United States.

DHS Privacy Notice

AUTHORITY: The information requested on this petition, and the associated evidence, is collected under 8 United States Code Section 1186a and 1186b.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose for providing the requested information on this petition is to apply to remove the conditions on your residence if you obtained status through marriage. DHS will use the information you provide to grant or deny the immigration benefit you are seeking.

DISCLOSURE: The information you provide is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information, including your Social Security number (if applicable), and any requested evidence, may delay a final decision or result in denial of your petition.

ROUTINE USES: DHS may, where allowable under relevant confidentiality provisions, including 8 U.S.C. Section 1367, share the information you provide on this petition with other Federal, state, local, and foreign government agencies and authorized organizations. DHS follows approved routine uses described in the associated published system of records notices [DHS/USCIS/ICE/CBP-001 Alien File, Index, and National File Tracking, DHS/USCIS-007 Benefits Information System, and DHS/USCIS-018 Immigration Biometric and Background Check] and published privacy impact assessment [DHS/USCIS/PIA-016(a) Computer Linked Application Information Management System and Associated Systems], which you can find at <u>www.dhs.gov/privacy</u>. DHS may also make the information available, as appropriate, for law enforcement purposes or in the interest of national security.



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USCIS may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and you are not required to respond to a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 4.387 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the required documentation and information, completing the petition, preparing statements, attaching necessary documentation, and submitting the petition. The collection of biometrics is estimated to require 1 hour and 10 minutes. 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, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, 5900 Capital Gateway Drive, Mail Stop #2140, Camp Springs, MD 20588-0009; OMB No. 1615-0038. **Do not mail your completed Form I-751 to this address.**

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