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AGENDA TODAY

- Online PDF Intake for Form I-765
 and Form I-912
- Questions submitted by stakeholders
- How to find assistance
- Your live questions



I-765 and I-912 PDF Intake Online

- Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization
- For certain eligibility categories:
 - (c)(8), (c)(9)*, (c)(11), (c)(19) and (a)(12)
- Form I-912, Request for Fee Waiver
- PDF upload in the online account
- Assistance is

*PDF Intake is not currently available for the feeexempt (c)(9) category

Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization

Use this form to request employment authorization and an Employment Authorization Document if your immigration status allows you to work in the United States.

Select between the following filing options.



Fill Out Form Fields Online

Select this option if you want to fill out the fields of the 1-765 form online directly. This option currently does not support fee waiver.



Upload a Filled Out PDF Form

Select this option if you want to upload and submit a filled out version of the I-765 form as a pdf document. You may apply for a fee waiver with this option by uploading a fee waiver request to verify qualifications.



Keeping Families Together - Form I-131F



Question: Where can I find more information?



Answer: uscis.gov/keepingfamiliestogether

Family

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Keeping Families Together

Frequently Asked Questions About Keeping Families Together

Family of U.S. Citizens

Family of Refugees &

Family of Green Card Holders (Permanent Residents)

Same-Sex Marriages

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Keeping Families Together

1 ALERT: On Aug. 26, 2024, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas ("District Court"), in *Texas v. Department of Homeland Security*, Case Number 24-cv-306, entered an administrative stay for an initial period of 14 days, preventing DHS from granting parole in place under Keeping Families Together process. Subsequently, the District Court issued another order extending the administrative stay. On Sept. 11, 2024, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit stayed all proceedings before the District Court, but kept in place the District Court's administrative stay of USCIS's Keeping Families Together process pending further order of the Fifth Circuit.

To comply with the administrative stay, USCIS will:

- Not grant any pending parole in place requests under Keeping Families Together.
- Continue to accept filings of Form I-131F, Application for Parole in Place for Certain Noncitizen Spouses and Stepchildren of U.S. Citizens.
- Continue to schedule biometric appointments and capture biometrics at Application Support Centers (ASCs).

The administrative stay order does not affect any applications that were approved before the district court issued the administrative stay order at 6:46 p.m. Eastern Time on Aug. 26, 2024.

ALERT: On Aug. 19, DHS posted for public inspection a Federal Register notice implementing Keeping Families Together, a process for certain noncitizen spouses and stepchildren of U.S. citizens to apply for parole in place. Additional information on the eligibility criteria under this process, the request process, and examples of required documentation are available on this page, the Frequently Asked Questions About Keeping Families Together page, and in the Federal Register notice. We have also created a Filing Guide for Form I-131F (PDF, 9.25 MB) to help individuals as they prepare to file a request for parole in place through the online process.

On June 18, 2024, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced a key step toward fulfilling President Biden's commitment to promoting family unity in the immigration system. On Aug. 19, 2024, DHS implemented Keeping Families Together, a process for certain noncitizen spouses and noncitizen stepchildren of U.S. citizens to request parole in place under existing statutory authority.

Parole is an exercise of DHS's discretionary authority under section 212(d)(5)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) to allow certain noncitizen "applicants for admission" to be present in the United States on a temporary, case-by-case basis for urgent humanitarian reasons or significant public benefit. The INA defines an "applicant for

Keeping Families Together - Form I-131F





I-131F, Application for I-131F, App Parole in Place for Certain Parole in P Noncitizen Spouses an...

You must complete all fields with an asterisk (*) to submit this form.

File requirements

- Clear and readable
- Accepted file formats: JPG, JPEG, PDF, TIF or TIFF
- No encrypted or password-protected files
- If your documents are in a foreign language, upload a full English translation and the translator's certification with each original document.
- Upload no more than five documents at a time
- Accepted file name characters: English letters, numbers, spaces, periods, hyphens, underscores, and parentheses
- Maximum size: 12MB per file

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Adding or Withdrawing a Form G-28



- Question: If the Form G-28 is withdrawn, what is the view in both the legal representative and the client account?
- Question: Can a Form G-28 be added to a pending case?



- Answer: When a Form G-28 is withdrawn by the client, the case will be removed from the legal representative view.
- Answer: A legal representative can upload a Form G-28 for a case that a client has already filed.

Notifications



 Question: Are notifications sent when there is an update in an online case?



• Yes, applicants will receive notifications; legal representatives will not.

Legal Representative Linking a Paper Form



Question: Is there a way to link a filing that did not link properly when we submitted it?



Answer: Let's walk through steps to add your G-28.

Legal Representative Linking a Paper Form

- Have your client add the paper case to their online account.
- Have client withdraw any associated G-28 for that case.
- Check your list of clients. Add the client if you need to.
- Select "File a Form", and choose G-28.
- Use the receipt number to add your G-28.
- Have client accept the electronic handshake.
- The case card should appear in your account.

Is a Legal Representative Required?



 Question: Can an applicant file without hiring a legal representative?



• Answer: Yes, an applicant can file on their own.

Correcting an Error



 Question: How do you correct an incorrect date of birth or other error?



Answer: Start with the self-help tools.

Correcting an Error

- egov.uscis.gov/erequest
- Enter information:
 - Form type
 - Receipt number
 - Date filed
 - Name, DOB, A number
 - Mailing address
 - Describe the error

Typographic Error

Did you receive a notice, document or card from USCIS and it contains a typographic error? We can assist you in correcting the error.

If your document has incorrect information because of USCIS error (for example, USCIS made a typo), you may submit a Typographic Error service request. Before you submit a request, review the <u>Updating or Correcting Your Documents</u> webpage. The page provides information on how to return your document.

If your document has incorrect information that is not because of a USCIS error (for example, you legally changed your name), review the <u>Updating or Correcting Your</u>

<u>Documents</u> page for information on how to replace and return your incorrect document.

Typographic Error

What has the Typographic error ?*

- Select One

Please describe the error*

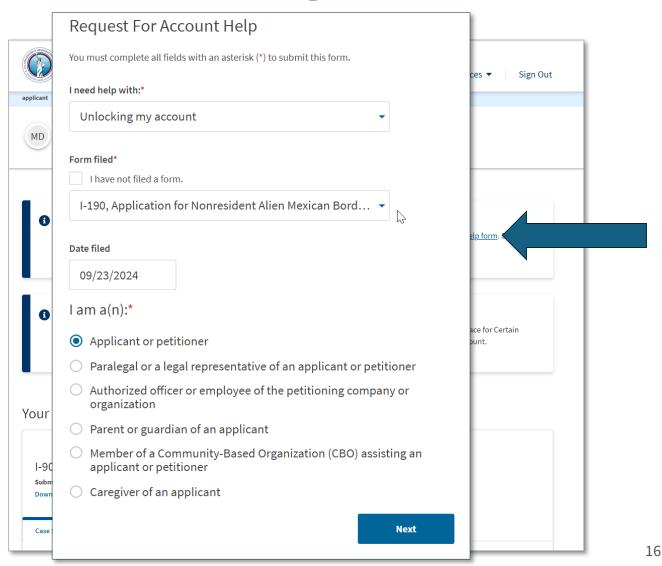
Please enter the correction*

What you'll need

- > Receipt Number
- > A-Number (if applicable)
- > Item that contains the error
- > Date when filed
- > Email Address

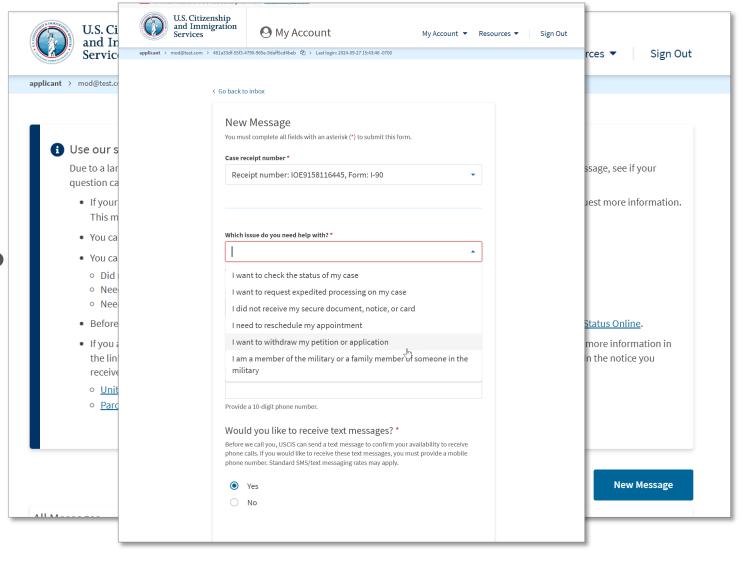
How to find assistance: Technical Help

- Request for Account Help form
 - Reset password
 - Unlock account
 - Change verification code delivery method
 - Request new online access code
 - Report technical issue

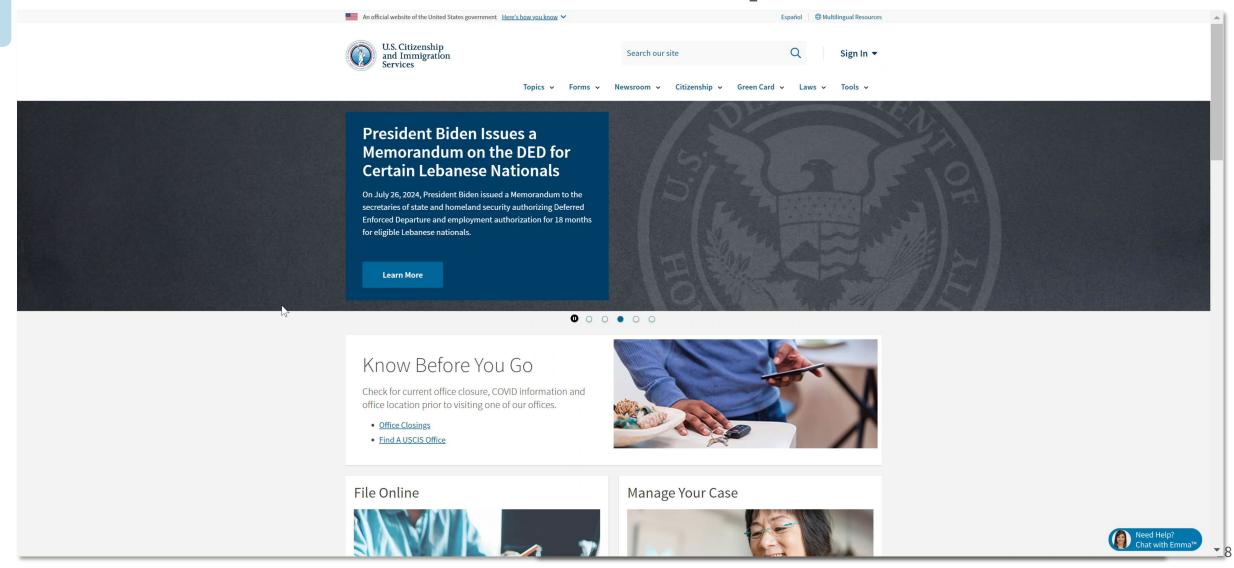


How to find assistance: Send a message

- Go to your inbox
- Select receipt number
- Select issue
- Receive text message?
- Send



How to find assistance: Self-help tools





QUESTIONS

USCIS Online Account Helpful Links

Account sign up/login page:

my.uscis.gov or uscis.gov

Help with account creation:

uscis.gov/file-online

Technical support:

- Password resets
- Account lockouts
- New Online Access Code
- Update your PIN delivery method

my.uscis.gov/account/needhelp

Feedback:

<u>uscisfeedback@uscis.dhs.gov</u> <u>Public.engagement@uscis.dhs.gov</u>



Don't Get Scammed - Evite Estafas!

- Read USCIS materials about this process at uscis.gov/keepingfamiliestogether.
- Do not trust anyone who says they have special connections with the government.
- DO NOT give personal information or send money to a stranger.
- USCIS will never call, email, or text you to ask for money.
- USCIS will never threaten you with deportation.
- Always use .gov websites.
- Low-cost community agencies may be able to help you apply.

uscis.gov/avoidscams

uscis.gov/eviteestafas

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