

# USCIS ELIS I-526

## Paperwork Reduction & Privacy Act Statements

### 1. Apply Online for Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur


This is the second screen the applicant will see after the applicant logs into USCIS ELIS. On the first screen, the applicant selected "Alien Petition by Immigrant Investor."

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Apply Online

**ELIS**  
USCIS ELECTRONIC IMMIGRATION SYSTEM

View My Cases  
Apply Online  
View Messages  
View My Profile

 Step-by-Step  
Online Application

[Need Help](#) \* Required fields

**PASSCODES**

**Represented Applicants/Petitioners** - If your Representative provided you with a **Case Passcode**, select [Enter Case Passcode](#) to access and review your pending application or petition.

**EB-5 Immigrant Investors** - If your Document Library Manager provided you with a **Deal Package Passcode**, select [Deal Packages](#) to access and review your Deal Packages.

**Important Notes:**

- USCIS captures your Internet Protocol address and your web browser information when you file a benefit request.
- USCIS cannot electronically process fee waivers in USCIS ELIS at this time. Payment processing is completed entirely through the Department of Treasury's secure Pay.gov system. USCIS will not store or have access to your payment or credit card information.
- NEVER give out your USCIS ELIS account number or password to another individual or allow another person to use your USCIS ELIS account and password to file a benefit request.

**You currently do not have any cases pending or in draft status.**

If you choose not to file your benefit request today, the system will save a draft of your benefit request for 30 days.

If you do not file your benefit request within 30 days, all drafts of your request will be deleted and your USCIS ELIS account will be deleted.

If your account is deleted, you will need to create a new account in USCIS ELIS before you can file a new benefit request.

If you previously filed a benefit request in USCIS ELIS, your USCIS ELIS online account will not be deleted. In the future, only those benefit requests that remain in a "DRAFT" state will be deleted after 30 days.

Available Benefits:\*  
Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur

**Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur**

You may submit a request for classification as an alien entrepreneur (EB-5) electronically in USCIS ELIS (currently referred to as Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur. OMB No. 1615-0026; Exp. 5/31/2013).

You may submit this request if you have established a commercial enterprise:

- In which you will engage in a managerial or policy-making capacity;
- In which you have invested or are actively in the process of investing the amount required for the area in which the enterprise is located;
- Which will benefit the U.S. economy; and
- Which will create full-time employment in the United States for at least 10 U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents, or other immigrants authorized to be employed, other than yourself, your spouse, your sons or daughters, or any nonimmigrant aliens.

The establishment of a new commercial enterprise may include:

- Creation of a new business;
- Purchase of an existing business with simultaneous or subsequent restricting or reorganization resulting in a new commercial enterprise; or
- Expansion of an existing business through investment of the amount required, so that a substantial change (at least 40 percent) in either the net worth, number of employees, or both, results.

The amount of investment required in a particular area is specified in the statute (section 204(b)(5)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. 1154(b)(5)(A)) and regulations at 8 CFR 204.6. Unless adjusted downward for targeted areas or upward for areas of high employment, the required investment is **\$1 million**.

You may obtain additional information about EB-5, Alien Entrepreneurs from our website at [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov), or a U.S. Embassy or consulate abroad.

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**2a. \*\*New Screen\*\* Paperwork Reduction & Privacy Act Statements (before select checkbox)**

After the applicant selects “Apply Online”, the applicant will be taken to this screen. The applicant will not be permitted to move forward until the “I Agree” box has been checked.


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<b>Paperwork Reduction and USCIS Privacy Acts</b> OMB Control Number 1615-0026 Expires 5/31/2013					
<span style="color: red;">* Indicates Required Field</span>					
<p><b>Paperwork Reduction Act</b></p> <p>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 the electronic version of the Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur (I-526) is estimated at 1 hour and 15 minutes per response. This includes the time necessary gathering the required documentation and information, reviewing instructions, and completing and submitting the electronic application. 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 Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington DC 20529-2020. Please reference OMB Control Number 1615-0026. Do not mail your application to this address.</p>					
<p><b>USCIS Privacy Act Statement</b></p> <p><b>AUTHORITIES:</b> The information and associated evidence you provide is collected pursuant to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 (P.L. 82-414), as amended; the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (P.L. 107-296); and Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations.</p> <p><b>PURPOSE:</b> The information that you submit may be used (1) to create or update your USCIS ELIS Account, (2) determine your eligibility for a requested benefit, which includes required national security and law enforcement checks, and/or (3) determine your eligibility to act as an attorney or accredited representative in USCIS ELIS.</p> <p><b>ROUTINE USES:</b> This information will be shared outside USCIS to assist in determining your eligibility for your requested benefit and in accordance with the approved routine uses described in the associated systems of records notices.</p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE:</b> The information you provide is voluntary. However, failure to provide accurate information may delay a final decision after submission of a benefit request or result in denial of any pending benefit requests. Please note that the system will record user information such as Internet Protocol Address and Web Browser type and version upon submission.</p>					
<input type="checkbox"/> * I have read and agree to the Privacy Act Statement					
<input type="button" value="Exit"/> <input type="button" value="I Accept"/>					

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**2b. \*\*New Screen\*\* Paperwork Reduction & Privacy Act Statements (after select checkbox)**

The applicant checks the "I Agree" box.

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**3. I-526 About You - Name & Contact (beginning of I-526 petition)**

The applicant has checked the "I Agree" box and is brought to this page. The applicant now completes the application for the I-526.

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About You

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**Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur**

**About You**

**Name and Contact**

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**Name**

Last Name (Family Name)* asdf	First Name (Given Name)* asf <input type="checkbox"/> No First Name <small>Check No First Name if you do not have a first name</small>	Middle Name* <input type="checkbox"/> No Middle Name <small>Check No Middle Name if you do not have a middle name</small>
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**Address**

In Care of Name

Street Number <input type="text"/>	Street Name* <input type="text"/>	Apartment Number <input type="text"/>
Country* Select	City or Town* <input type="text"/>	
State Select	ZIP Code <input type="text"/>	
Province <input type="text"/>	Postal Code <input type="text"/>	

**Contact**

Email	<input type="text" value="boltdevtest@gmail.com"/>	Email@example.com
	<small>To change email address, please go to "View My Profile", click on Account tab then click "Change Email Address"</small>	
Daytime Telephone Number	<input type="text"/>	<small>(with Area Code)</small>
Mobile Phone Number	<input type="text"/>	<small>(with Area Code)</small>

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**TIPS**

Sections on this screen request information about the applicant.

The name entered must be the same as it appears on your passport or other legal government form of identification. If you only have one name, please provide it in the space for "Last Name (Family Name)" and select "No First Name" and "No Middle Name."

Letters, numbers, hyphens (-), commas (,) and apostrophes (') are allowed in the address fields. All other special characters will not be accepted.

You may update your mailing and email addresses within "View My Profile" in your USCIS ELIS account.