

## **NARRATIVE OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES**

**OMB No. 1125-0010**

### **Notice of Appeal to the Board of Immigration Appeals from a Decision of a DHS Officer Form EOIR- 29**

A party affected by a decision of a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Officer may appeal that decision to the Board of Immigration Appeals (Board), provided the Board has jurisdiction pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 1003.1(b). An appeal from a DHS officer's decision is taken by completing the Form EOIR-29 and filing it with DHS directly. DHS then forwards the appeal to the Board. In a prior revision, EOIR inadvertently removed the language in part 1 indicating that the applicant may use the form for seeking review of a "permissible DHS bond decision." The agency has added this language back to the form as it was originally stated.

The fee for the Form EOIR-29 is paid to DHS United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). Additional instructions were added informing applicants paying by check that USCIS will convert the check into an electronic funds transfer (EFT), electronically debit the account the check is drawn on, usually within 24 hours, and that USCIS will destroy the original check, but will keep a copy of it. If USCIS cannot process the EFT for technical reasons, USCIS is authorized to process the copy in place of the original check. The information about remitting payment to the USCIS field office has also been updated to inform the applicant that such payment may only be made through pay.gov via a credit card, debit card or personal check.

Lastly, on account of the additional text, EOIR has changed the format on the second page from a two-column format to the standard single column orientation and increased the font size to improve readability. This has resulted in the instructions expanding from one to two pages.

