

**TABLE OF CHANGES – INSTRUCTIONS**  
**Instructions for Form I-698, Application to Adjust Status From Temporary to Permanent Resident (Under Section 245A of the INA)**  
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Current Page Number and Section	Current Text	Proposed Text
<b>Pages 2-4, General Instructions</b>	<p>[page 2]</p> <p><b>Biometrics Services Appointment.</b>  USCIS may require that you appear for an interview or provide 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. After USCIS receives your application and ensures it is complete, we will inform you in writing if you need to attend a biometric services appointment. If an appointment is necessary, the notice will provide you the location of the local or designated USCIS Application Support Center (ASC) and the date and time of your appointment. If you fail to attend your biometric services appointment, USCIS may deny your application.</p>	<p>[page 2]</p> <p><b>Biometrics Services Appointment.</b> Every individual who is an applicant, petitioner, derivative, or beneficiary of an immigration benefit request or other request submitted to USCIS is required to submit biometrics unless USCIS waives the requirement. USCIS will notify you of the time and place of your appointment if you must appear and will provide requirements for rescheduling if necessary. If you fail to attend your appointment, USCIS may deny your application, petition, or request.</p> <p>DHS may store the biometrics submitted by an individual and use or reuse biometrics to conduct background and security checks, including a check of criminal history records maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), verify identity, produce documents, determine eligibility for immigration and naturalization benefits, or to perform any other functions necessary for administering and enforcing immigration and naturalization laws, and any other law within DHS authority.</p> <p>If you are required to provide biometrics, at your appointment you must sign an oath reaffirming that:</p> <p><b>1.</b> You provided or authorized all</p>

	<p><b>Acknowledgement of Appointment at USCIS Application Support Center.</b> Review the ASC Acknowledgement that appears in <b>Part 5.</b> of the application. The purpose of this acknowledgement is to confirm that you have completed your application, reviewed your responses, and verified that the information was provided by you and is complete, true, and correct. If someone helped you fill out your application, that person must review the ASC Acknowledgement with you to make sure you understand it.</p> <p><b>Name Changes.</b> If your name has changed since you were issued your Employment Authorization Document (Form I-766), you must submit a certified copy of the court decree or marriage certificate, as appropriate. A married person may file his or her application under either a maiden or current married name.</p> <p>...</p> <p>[page 3]</p> <p><b>5. Part 5. Applicant’s Statement, Contact Information, Acknowledgement of Appointment at USCIS Application Support Center, Certification, and Signature.</b> Select the appropriate box to indicate that you either read this application yourself or someone interpreted this application for you from English to a language in which you are fluent. If applicable, select the box to indicate if someone prepared this application for you. You must also affirm that you have read and understand (or that an interpreter or preparer read to you, and you understand) the <b>Acknowledgement of Appointment at USCIS Application Support Center in Part 5.</b> Further, you must sign and date your application and provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone</p>	<p>information in the application;  <b>2.</b> You reviewed and understood all of the information contained in, and submitted with, your application; and  <b>3.</b> All of this information was complete, true, and correct at the time of filing.</p> <p>[deleted]</p> <p><b>Name Changes.</b> If your name has changed since you were issued your Employment Authorization Document (Form I-766), you must submit a certified copy of the court decree or marriage certificate, as appropriate. A married person may file his or her application under either a maiden or current married name.</p> <p>...</p> <p>[page 3]</p> <p><b>5. Part 5. Applicant’s Statement, Contact Information, Certification, and Signature.</b> Select the appropriate box to indicate <b>whether</b> you read this application yourself or <b>whether you had an interpreter assist you. If someone assisted you in completing the application, select the box indicating that you used a preparer.</b> <b>Further,</b> you must sign and date your application and provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone number (if any), and email address (if any). <b>Every application MUST contain the signature of the applicant (or parent or legal guardian, if applicable).</b> A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.</p>
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**6. Part 6. Interpreter’s Contact Information, Certification, and Signature.** If you used anyone as an interpreter to read the instructions and questions on this application 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, and his or her email address (if any). The interpreter must also certify that he or she has read **Part 5. Acknowledgement of Appointment at USCIS Application Support Center** to you in the same language in which you are fluent. The interpreter must sign and date the application.

**7. Part 7. Contact Information, Statement, Certification, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Application, If Other Than the Applicant.** This section must contain the signature of the person who completed your application, if other than you, the applicant. If the same individual acted as your interpreter and your preparer, that person should complete both **Part 6.** and **Part 7.** If the person who completed this application is associated with a business or organization, that person should complete the business or organization name and address information. Anyone who helped you prepare this application **MUST** sign and date the application. A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable. Anyone who helped you prepare your application must also certify that he or she has read **Part 5. Acknowledgement of Appointment at USCIS Application Support Center** to you, and that you informed him or her that you understood the **ASC Acknowledgement.** If the person who helped you prepare your application is an attorney or accredited representative, he or she must also submit a completed Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as

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**7. Part 7. Contact Information, Declaration, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Application, if Other Than the Applicant.** This section must contain the signature of the person who completed your application, if other than you, the applicant. If the same individual acted as your interpreter **and** your preparer, that person should complete both **Part 6.** and **Part 7.** If the person who completed this application 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 application **MUST** sign and date the application. A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not **acceptable.** **If** the person who helped you prepare your application 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 application.

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<p><b>Page 4, Photographs</b></p>	<p><b>[page 4]</b></p> <p><b>Photographs</b></p> <p>You <b>must</b> submit two identical color photographs of yourself taken within 30 days of filing this application. The photos must have a white to off-white background, be printed on thin paper with a glossy finish, and be unmounted and unretouched.</p> <p>Passport-style photos must be 2” x 2.” The photos must be in color with full face, frontal view. Head height should measure 1” to 1 3/8” from top of hair to bottom of chin, and eye height is between 1 1/8” to 1 3/8” from bottom of 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 A-Number (if any) on the back of each photo.</p>	<p>[deleted]</p>
<p><b>Page 5, What Is the Filing Fee?</b></p>	<p><b>[page 5]</b></p> <p><b>What Is the Filing Fee?</b></p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-698 is <b>\$1,670</b>, regardless of when it is filed. A biometric services fee of <b>\$85</b> is also required for applicants between 14 and 79 years of age.</p> <p>...</p>	<p><b>[page 5]</b></p> <p><b>What Is the Filing Fee?</b></p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-698 is <b>\$1,670</b>, regardless of when it is filed. A biometric services fee of <b>\$85</b> is also <b>required</b>.</p> <p>...</p>
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<p><b>Page 8, Paperwork Reduction Act</b></p>	<p><b>[Page 8]</b></p> <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 this collection of information is estimated at 1 hour and 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the required documentation and information, completing the application, preparing statements, attaching necessary documentation, and submitting the application. 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, Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20529-2140; OMB No 1615-0035. <b>Do not mail your completed Form I-698 to this address.</b></p>	<p><b>[Page 8]</b></p> <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 this collection of information is estimated at 1 hour and 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the required documentation and information, completing the application, preparing statements, attaching necessary documentation, and submitting the application. The collection of biometrics is estimated to require <b>3 hours and 40</b> 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, Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20529-2140; OMB No 1615-0035. <b>Do not mail your completed Form I-698 to this address.</b></p>
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