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# Instructions for Form I-191, Application for Relief Under Former Section 212(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) OMB Number: 1615-0016

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General Instructions	General Instructions	General Instructions
	<b>Filing Fee.</b> Each application must be accompanied by the appropriate filing fee. (See the <b>What Is the Filing Fee</b> section of these Instructions.)	<b>Filing Fee.</b> See Form G-1055, available at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/forms">www.uscis.gov/forms</a> , for specific information about the fees applicable to this form.
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	The filing fee for Form I-191 is <b>\$930</b> . If USCIS notifies you that you must submit biometrics, a biometric services fee of <b>\$85</b> may also be required.	
	Payments by Check or Money Order Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for the Form I-191 filing fee:	
	<b>1.</b> The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial institution located in the United States and must be payable in U.S. currency; <b>and</b>	
	2. Make the check or money order payable to U.S. Department of Homeland Security.	

**NOTE:** Spell out U.S. Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials "USDHS" or "DHS."

**3.** If you live outside the United States, contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate for instructions on the method of payment.

Notice to Those Paying by Check. If you send USCIS a check, we will convert it into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means we will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will usually take 24 hours and your bank will show it on your regular account statement.

You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If USCIS cannot process the EFT for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If your check is returned as unpayable, we will re-submit the payment to the financial institution one time. If the check is returned as unpayable a second time, we will reject your application and charge you a returned check fee.

**NOTE:** By completing this transaction, you agree that you have paid for a government service and that the filing fee, biometric services fee and all related financial transactions are final and not refundable, regardless of any action USCIS or the Immigration Court takes on an application, petition or request, or how long USCIS takes to reach a decision. **DO NOT MAIL CASH.** You must submit all fees in the exact amounts.

**NOTE:** The filing fee [and biometric services fee] are not refundable, regardless of any action USCIS takes on this application. **DO NOT MAIL CASH.** You must submit all fees in the exact amounts.

**NOTE:** When filing Form I-191 with an immigration judge during deportation, exclusion, or removal proceedings, you must submit the payment as instructed by

the immigration judge with jurisdiction over your case. For more information, visit the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) website at <a href="https://www.justice.gov/eoir">www.justice.gov/eoir</a>.

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#### **How To Check If the Fees Are Correct**

Form I-191 filing fee and biometric service fee are current as of the edition date in the lower left corner of this page. However, because USCIS fees change periodically, you should verify that the fees are correct by following one of the steps below.

- **1.** Visit the USCIS website at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov">www.uscis.gov</a>, select "FORMS," and check the appropriate fee; or
- **2.** Visit the USCIS Contact Center at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/contactcenter">www.uscis.gov/contactcenter</a> to get answers to your questions and connect with a live USCIS representative. The USCIS Contact Center provides information in English and Spanish. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: **1-800-767-1833**.

#### Fee Waiver

You may be eligible for a fee waiver under 8 CFR 103.7(c). If you believe you are eligible for a fee waiver, complete Form I-912, Request for Fee Waiver (or a written request), and submit it and any required evidence of your inability to pay the filing fee with this application. You can review the fee waiver guidance at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/feewaiver">www.uscis.gov/feewaiver</a>.

If you are in deportation, exclusion, or removal proceedings in Immigration Court, an immigration judge has the discretion to waive a filing fee for an application for relief upon a showing that the filing party is unable to pay the fee. See 8 CFR 1003.24. If you believe you are eligible for a fee waiver, file a written request with the immigration judge, along with any required evidence of your inability to pay the filing fee with this application. For additional information on filing a request for a fee waiver, see the Immigration Court Practice Manual at <a href="https://www.justice.gov/eoir/office-">www.justice.gov/eoir/office-</a>

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	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 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 1 hour and 30 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 hours 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. 1615-0016. <b>Do not mail your completed Form I-191 to this address.</b>	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 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 1.567 hours 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 hours 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. 1615-0016. <b>Do not mail your completed Form I-191 to this address.</b>