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Page 2-3, General Instructions	[Page 2] General Instructions ... Biometric Services Appointment. USCIS may require you to appear for an interview or provide biometrics (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 or petition. If we determine that a biometric services appointment is necessary, we will send you an appointment notice with the date, time, and location of your appointment. If you are currently overseas, your notice will instruct you to contact a U.S. Embassy, U.S. Consulate, or USCIS office outside the United States to schedule an appointment. At your biometrics appointment, you must sign an oath reaffirming that: 1. You provided or authorized all information in the application; 2. You reviewed and understood all of the information contained in, and submitted	[Page 2] General Instructions ... Biometric Services Appointment. USCIS may require you to appear for an interview. Every individual who is an applicant, petitioner, derivative, beneficiary, or sponsor of an immigration benefit request or other request submitted to USCIS is required to submit biometrics, unless USCIS exempts the requirement. Each individual will be notified of the time, date, and location of their biometric services appointment, unless USCIS exempts the requirement to submit biometrics. [delete]

	with, your application; and 3. All of this information was complete, true, and correct at the time of filing. If you do not attend your biometric services appointment, we may deny your application. [new]	The Department of Homeland Security (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 the administration and enforcement of the immigration and naturalization laws, or any other legal authority. In some situations, USCIS may require the submission of deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) or DNA test results as part of the biometrics submission requirement. In such instances, DNA test results will be used as primary evidence to determine eligibility for the benefit sought by demonstrating the existence or absence of a genetic relationship or biological sex as applicable to the respective form. USCIS will only accept DNA test results from laboratories accredited by the AABB (formerly the American Association of Blood Banks). A list of laboratories can be viewed at aabb.org/sa/facilities/Pages/RTestAccrFac.aspx. If you are required to provide biometrics at your biometric services appointment, you must sign a statement, under penalty of perjury, attesting that your submitted application, petition, or request, one that you provided on behalf of your derivative beneficiary, or one submitted on your behalf, and all documents filed with and in support of the application, petition, or request, were complete, true, and correct at the time of filing.
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	Copies. You should submit legible photocopies of requested documents unless the Instructions specifically instruct you to submit an original document. USCIS may request an original document at any time during our process. If we request an original document from you, we will return it to you after USCIS determines it no longer needs the original. ...	If you fail to submit biometrics or fail to appear for your scheduled biometric services appointment, absent extraordinary circumstances, USCIS may deny your application. For applicants and dependents who appear before an immigration judge, failure to attend a biometric services appointment may result in the immigration judge finding that your application was abandoned, and USCIS may also deny any other application you filed with USCIS. Copies. You should submit legible photocopies of requested documents unless the Instructions specifically instruct you to submit an original document. USCIS may request an original document at any time during our process. If we request an original document from you, we will return it to you after USCIS determines it no longer needs the original. ...
Page 8, Penalties	[Page 8] Penalties ...	[no change]
New		[Page 7] FBI Privacy Notice USCIS may use your biometrics to obtain the criminal history records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), for identity verification, to determine eligibility, to create immigration documents (for example, Permanent Resident Card, Employment Authorization Document), or any purpose authorized by the Immigration and Nationality Act. You may obtain a copy of your own FBI record using the procedures outlined at 28 CFR 16.30-16.34. For more information, please visit: fbi.gov/services/cjis/compact-council/guiding-principles-noncriminal-justice-applicants-privacy-rights. For information regarding how the FBI will use your fingerprints, please visit fbi.gov/services/cjis/compact-council/privacy-act-statement.
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Page 8, Paperwork Reduction Act	[Page 8] Paperwork Reduction Act USCIS may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and you are 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 0.417 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 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, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, 5900 Capital Gateway Drive, Mail Stop #2140, Camp Springs, MD 20588-0009; OMB No.1615-0056. Do not mail your completed Form N-470 to this address.	Paperwork Reduction Act USCIS may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and you are 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 0.417 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 1.17 hours . 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.1615-0056. Do not mail your completed Form N-470 to this address.