



# Instructions for Form I-527, Amendment to Legacy Form I-526

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## What Is the Purpose of Form I-527?

This form is used by an investor to amend a Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Investor, filed before March 15, 2022, in order to retain eligibility under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) 203(b)(5)(M) where the investor's regional center is terminated, or their new commercial enterprise (NCE) or job-creating entity (JCE) is debarred.

## Who May File Form I-527?

You may file this form for yourself if you filed a Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Investor, before March 15, 2022, and you are seeking to retain eligibility under INA 203(b)(5)(M) because your regional center has been terminated or your new commercial enterprise or job-creating entity has been debarred and you do not otherwise continue to be eligible notwithstanding such termination or debarment (for example, because the requisite amount of capital has been or will continue to be invested in your original new commercial enterprise and the requisite number of jobs have been or will be created in accordance with your originally filed business plan). To maintain your eligibility if your regional center is terminated, your new commercial enterprise may associate with another designated regional center, or you may make a qualifying investment in another new commercial enterprise. If your new commercial enterprise or job-creating entity is debarred, you may associate with another new commercial enterprise in good standing and invest additional capital necessary to satisfy any remaining job creation requirements.

Complete all parts of this form with information related to the new regional center, new commercial enterprise, job-creating entity and/or investment, as applicable. In addition, describe the circumstances related to any new associations and/or investments in **Part 12. Additional Information**.

For investors who filed a Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Investor, before March 15, 2022, the amount of investment required is set by statute based on the amount required when you filed the petition you are seeking to amend. In general, the required amount of investment is \$1,000,000. For investment in a targeted employment area (meaning a rural area or a qualifying high unemployment area), the required amount of investment is reduced to \$500,000. You may obtain additional information from our website at [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov), or a U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate abroad.

## General Instructions

We provide free forms through the USCIS website. To view, print, or complete our forms, you should use the latest version of Adobe Reader, which you can download for free at <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>.

**Signature.** You (or your signing authority) must properly complete your petition. USCIS will not accept a stamped or typewritten name in place of any signature on this petition. If you are under 14 years of age, your parent or legal guardian may sign the petition on your behalf. A legal guardian may also sign for a mentally incompetent person. If your petition is not signed, or if the signature is not valid, we will reject your petition. See 8 CFR 103.2(a)(7)(ii)(A). If USCIS accepts a request for adjudication and determines that it has a deficient signature, USCIS may deny the request.

**Validity of Signatures.** USCIS will consider a photocopied, faxed, or scanned copy of an original handwritten signature as valid for filing purposes. The photocopy, fax, or scan must be of the original document containing the handwritten ink signature.

**Filing Fee.** See Form G-1055, available at [www.uscis.gov/forms](http://www.uscis.gov/forms), for specific information about the fees applicable to this form.

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**Evidence.** When you file your petition, you must submit all evidence and supporting documents listed in the **Specific Instructions** section of these 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 petition;
2. You reviewed and understood all of the information contained in, and submitted with, your petition; 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 petition.

**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.

**NOTE:** If you submit original documents when they are not required or requested, **USCIS may destroy them after we receive them.**

**Translations.** If you submit a document with information in a foreign language, you must also submit a full English translation. The translator must sign a certification that the English language translation is complete and accurate, and that they are competent to translate from the foreign language into English. The certification must also include their signature, printed name, the signature date, and their contact information.

**USCIS Contact Center.** For additional information on the petition and Instructions about where to file, change of address, and other questions, visit the USCIS Contact Center at [www.uscis.gov/contactcenter](http://www.uscis.gov/contactcenter) or call at **800-375-5283** (TTY **800-767-1833**). The USCIS Contact Center provides information in English and Spanish.

**Disability Accommodations/Modifications.** To request a disability accommodation/modification, follow the instructions on your appointment notice or at [www.uscis.gov/accommodationsinfo](http://www.uscis.gov/accommodationsinfo).

### How To Complete Form I-527

1. Type or print legibly in black ink.
2. If you need extra space to complete any item within this petition, use the space provided in **Part 12. Additional Information** or attach a separate sheet of paper; type or print your name and Alien Registration Number (A-Number) (if any) at the top of each sheet; indicate the **Page Number**, **Part Number**, and **Item Number** to which your answer refers; and sign and date each sheet.
3. Answer all questions fully and accurately. If a question does not apply to you (for example, if you have never been married and the question asks, “Provide the name of your current spouse”), type or print “N/A” unless otherwise directed. If your answer to a question which requires a numeric response is zero or none (for example, “How many children do you have” or “How many times have you departed the United States”), type or print “None” unless otherwise directed.

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## Specific Instructions

### Part 1. Petition Amendment

**Item Number 1.** Provide the receipt number of the petition you are seeking to amend. This number is available on the receipt notice USCIS sent you after you submitted your petition.

**Item Numbers 2. - 3.** Select the reason you are submitting this amendment, either (2) Termination of the Regional Center or (3) NCE/JCE Debarment. The “Notice Date” is the date on the notice you received from USCIS informing you that your regional center was terminated or that your new commercial enterprise or job-creating entity was debarred.

If Termination of Regional Center is checked, indicate if your NCE has associated with a new approved regional center or if you have made a qualifying investment in another NCE.

If NCE or JCE Debarment is checked, indicate if you associated with a new NCE in good standing and if you have invested additional investment capital to satisfy any outstanding job creation requirements.

### Part 2. Information About You

**Item Number 1. Alien Registration Number (A-Number)** (if any). Provide your A-Number. We use your A-Number to identify your immigration records. It begins with an “A” and can be found on correspondence you have received from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or USCIS. If you do not have an A-Number, type or print “N/A.”

**Item Number 2. USCIS Online Account Number.** You will only have a USCIS Online Account Number (OAN) if you previously filed a form that has a receipt number that begins with IOE. If you filed the form online, you can find your OAN in your account profile. If you mailed us the form, you can find your OAN at the top of the Account Access Notice we sent you. If you do not have a receipt number that begins with IOE, you do not have an OAN. The OAN is not the same as an A-Number.

**Item Number 3. Your Full Name.** Provide your full legal name in the spaces provided.

**Item Number 4. Other Names Used** (if any). Provide all the names you have used, including maiden name, married names, and nicknames, in the space provided.

### Other Information About You

**Item Number 5. Date of Birth.** Provide your date of birth in a mm/dd/yyyy format.

**Item Number 6. Country of Citizenship or Nationality.** Provide the name of the country where you are a citizen and/or national. This is not necessarily the country where you were born. If you do not have citizenship in any country, type or print “stateless” and provide an explanation in **Part 12. Additional Information**.

**Item Number 7. Country of Last Foreign Residence.** Provide the name of the country where you had your last foreign residence.

**Item Numbers 8. - 9. Current Mailing Address.** Provide the address where you would like to receive written correspondence regarding your petition. Indicate whether your current mailing address is the same as your physical address.

**Item Number 10. Current Physical Address.** Provide your current physical (residential) address and indicate the date of residence at the address.

**Item Number 11. Current Employment.** Provide your current employment information. Indicate the full legal name of the employer and address of employment, job title, and dates of employment.

### Part 3. Regional Center Information

**Item Number 1. Regional Center Association.** Indicate whether your investment is associated with an approved regional center.

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**Item Numbers 2. - 3. Information About the Previous Regional Center.** Provide the name of the previous regional center with which your initial investment was associated and the previous regional center's identification number.

**Item Numbers 4. - 5.** If you have associated with a new regional center, provide the legal name and the new regional center's identification number. If you have not associated with a new regional center, leave these items blank.

#### **Part 4. Information About the New Commercial Enterprise (NCE)**

##### **Information About the NCE**

**Item Numbers 1. - 2.** You must provide the legal name of the NCE associated with your previous petition identified in **Part 1., Item Number 1.** of this petition. Do not leave this item blank. Include the NCE identification number in **Item Number 2.**

**Item Number 3.** Indicate if you have made a qualifying investment in or otherwise associated with another NCE to support this amendment. If you did, respond "Yes" and provide the information in **Item Numbers 4.a. - 4.b.** about this other NCE. If the NCE is a holding company and its wholly owned subsidiaries, provide information about the top-level holding company in **Item Numbers 5. - 15.**

**Item Number 13. Address where the NCE is Principally Doing Business.** Provide the address where the NCE is principally doing business. The NCE is principally doing business in the location where it regularly, systematically, and continuously provides goods or services that support job creation. If the NCE provides such goods or services in more than one location, it will be principally doing business in the location most significantly related to the job creation.

**Type of NCE (Only applicable if different from your original Form I-526)**

**Item Numbers 16.a. - 16.c.** Select only one of the options.

Select **Item Number 16.a.** to indicate that the NCE was formed after November 29, 1990.

Select **Item Number 16.b.** to indicate that the NCE resulted from the purchase of a business formed on or before November 29, 1990, that is restructured or reorganized.

Select **Item Number 16.c.** to indicate that the NCE resulted from a capital investment in, and substantial expansion of a business formed on or before November 29, 1990.

**Item Number 17. Troubled Business.** Indicate whether you have invested or are actively in the process of investing in a troubled business and, if yes, provide an explanation of how the NCE qualifies as a troubled business. Troubled business means a business that has been in existence for at least two years, has incurred a net loss for accounting purposes (determined on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles) during the twelve- or twenty-four month period prior to the priority date on the alien investor's Form I-526, and the loss for such period is at least equal to twenty percent of the troubled business's net worth prior to such loss. For purposes of determining whether the troubled business has been in existence for two years, successors in interest to the troubled business will be deemed to have been in existence for the same period of time as the business they succeeded.

##### **NCE Ownership and Capital Investment**

**Item Number 18. Percentage of Ownership.** Indicate the percentage of your ownership in the NCE.

**Item Numbers 19. - 20.c. New Capital from Other Investors.** Indicate whether there has been any new capital invested into the NCE by other persons not seeking classification as an alien investor under INA section 203(b)(5) that was not identified in your previous petition identified in **Part 1., Item Number 1.** If you answered "Yes," provide the name, percentage of ownership and amount of capital for each person not identified in your previous petition. If you need additional space or there are additional persons, provide the information in **Part 12. Additional Information.**

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**Part 5. Information About the Job-Creating Entity (JCE) (Only applicable if different from your original Form I-526)**

**Item Number 1.** You must provide the legal name of the JCE associated with your previous petition identified in **Part 1., Item Number 1.** of this petition. Do not leave this item blank.

**Item Number 2.** Indicate if your investment is being associated with a JCE that was not associated with your previous petition as a result of the termination or debarment identified in **Part 1., Item Number 2.** of this petition. If so, respond “Yes” and provide the information in **Item Numbers 3. - 11.** about this other JCE.

**Part 6. Information About Your Investment**

**Item Numbers 1.a. - 1.b.** Indicate if your previous petition (identified in **Part 1., Item Number 1.**) was associated with a project or offering submitted with an approved Form I-924 application or amendment as an exemplar Form I-526 prior to March 15, 2022. If so, input the receipt number of the previously approved Form I-924 application.

**Item Numbers 2.a. - 2.b.** Indicate if you have invested or are actively in the process of investing into an offering associated with a Form I-956F, Application for Approval of an Investment in a Commercial Enterprise, filed by your new regional center on or after May 14, 2022. If applicable, provide the regional center’s Form I-956F receipt number.

***Investment Type and Required Capital Investment (If different from your original Form I-526)***

**Item Number 3.** Indicate whether the type of investment you are making has changed from what you indicated in your previous petition. If yes, you must select at least one of the appropriate boxes in **Item Numbers 4. - 6.** to indicate the new type and provide the requested information. If your investment meets more than one of these categories, select all that apply..

**Item Number 4.** Select this box if your investment is in a rural area. A rural area is an area outside a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) (as designate by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget) and outside the outer boundary of a city or town with a population of 20,000 or more based on the most recent decennial census of the United States..

**Item Number 5. High Unemployment Area.** Indicate whether your petition is based on an investment in a high unemployment area. A high unemployment area is a metropolitan statistical area (MSA), a specific county within an MSA, or the county in which a city or town with a population of 20,000 or more is located, in which the new commercial enterprise is principally doing business has experienced an average unemployment rate of 150 percent of the national average rate. The state government of any state of the United States may designate a particular geographic area or political subdivision located within an MSA or within a city or town having a population of 20,000 or more within such state as an area of high unemployment. If your petition previously relied on a state designation of your NCE’s project area, you may continue to rely on that designation if the NCE is continuing to principally do business in that area. You may also submit other evidence such as an economic impact analysis.

**Item Number 6. Non-TEA Adjustment Area.** Indicate whether your petition is based on an investment in an area that is not in a targeted employment area.

**Composition of any New Investment (if applicable)**

You must provide the following information.

**Item Number 7. Additional Investment(s) in the NCE.** Provide the dates and amounts of any additional investment in the NCE in a mm/dd/yyyy format. If you are actively in the process of investing additional capital, provide the dates and amounts you anticipate making the additional investment.

**Item Number 8. U.S. Bank Account.** Indicate the total amount of money you have deposited or committed to deposit in U.S. business account(s) for the NCE, including money placed into escrow with a U.S. or foreign bank. If you have not transferred any funds to a U.S. business account for an NCE, please provide an explanation in **Part 12. Additional Information.**

**Item Number 9. Total Value of Assets Purchased.** Indicate the total value of all assets purchased for use in the NCE.

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**Item Number 10. Total Value of All Property.** Indicate the total value of all property transferred from abroad for use in the NCE.

**Item Number 11. Total of All Debt Financing.** Indicate the total of all debt financing for which the investor is personally and primarily liable and which is secured by assets owned by the investor provided to the NCE. Any indebtedness must be documented with evidence of the investor's ownership of the assets used to secure the indebtedness, as well as the fair market value of the investor's ownership interest in such assets.

**Item Number 12. Total Stock or Other Equity.** Indicate the total value of all stock or other equity purchased in the NCE.

**Item Number 13. Other Capital.** Indicate any other capital invested or in the process of being invested in the NCE. Provide an explanation for such capital in **Part 12. Additional Information.**

**Item Numbers 14.a. - 14.h. Your Sources of Investment Capital.** Identify the sources of the capital you have invested or are actively in the process of investing into the NCE. Select all that apply.

**Item Number 15.** Provide details about the documentation included with the petition in the space provided. If you need additional space, use the space provided in **Part 12. Additional Information.**

**Item Number 16. Total Investment Made Available to JCE.** Indicate the total amount of your capital that has been or will be made available to the JCE.

## **Part 7. Employment Creation Information**

**Item Number 1.a.** Indicate if you are employed by either the NCE or JCE identified in this form. If you are employed by the NCE or JCE, provide your position, office or title and your duties, activities, and responsibilities with the entity.

**Item Number 1.b. Your Position.** Indicate what your position, office or title is with the NCE or JCE.

**Item Number 2.a. - 2.b.** Indicate whether your investment in the previous NCE identified in **Part 1., Item Number 1.** created employment prior to filing this amendment. Include any full-time direct and qualifying employees and/or direct and indirect jobs estimated to be created using reasonable methodologies.

**Item Number 3. Full-Time Direct and Qualifying Employees Since Initial Investment.** Indicate the number of full-time direct and qualifying employees created by the NCE since your initial investment. A direct and qualifying employee is an individual who provides services or labor for the NCE, who receives wages or other remuneration directly from the NCE, and who is a United States citizen, a lawful permanent resident, or other immigrant lawfully authorized to be employed in the United States, excluding you, your spouse, and your sons and daughters. This definition does not include independent contractors.

**Item Number 4. Estimated Direct and Indirect Job Creation.** If your previous NCE identified in **Part 1., Item Number 1.**, did **not** create any employment prior to filing this amendment, and the reassociated NCE is affiliated with a regional center, indicate whether the petition relies on indirect job creation demonstrated by an economic model and, if yes, indicate the economic model used in **Part 12. Additional Information.**

**Item Number 5. Estimated Full-Time Positions That Will Be Created.** Indicate how many estimated direct full-time positions for qualifying employees will be created by the new reassociated NCE (**Part 4., Item Number 3.**) and, if your petition is based on an investment in a regional center, how many estimated direct and indirect jobs will be created by the new reassociated NCE (**Part 4., Item Number 3.**) or JCE during the relevant time period. Indirect jobs are those that are held outside of the NCE but are created as a result of the NCE.

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## Part 8. Processing Information

**Item Numbers 1.a. - 5. Permanent Residence.** Indicate how you will seek lawful permanent resident status by selecting the appropriate box for either immigrant visa processing abroad or an application for adjustment of status. If you intend to seek an immigrant visa abroad, indicate your country of citizenship or nationality and country of current residence. If you are currently in the United States and intend to apply for adjustment of status, indicate the country of your last permanent residence abroad and provide the address and telephone number of your last permanent residence abroad. If your native alphabet is other than Roman letters, write your foreign address in your native alphabet.

**Item Numbers 6. - 9. Immigration Proceedings.** Indicate whether you are in removal, exclusion, or deportation proceedings before the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or the Department of Justice's Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) Immigration Court or the Board of Immigration Appeals, and, if so, the location of the proceedings. Also, provide an explanation for why you are in proceedings in **Part 12. Additional Information**. Also indicate whether you are currently subject to a final order of exclusion, deportation, or removal, or subject to reinstatement of such an order.

**Item Numbers 10. - 11. Unauthorized Employment.** Indicate whether you have ever worked without proper work authorization while in the United States. Also, provide an explanation for why you worked without proper work authorization in the space provided and, if necessary, in **Part 12. Additional Information**.

## Part 9. Contact Information, Certification, and Signature of the Petitioner or Authorized Signatory

You must sign and date your petition and, if applicable, provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone number, and email address. A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.

## Part 10. Interpreter's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature

If you used anyone as an interpreter to read the Instructions and questions on this petition to you in a language in which you are fluent, the interpreter must fill out this section and sign and date the petition.

## Part 11. Contact Information, Certification, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Petition, if Other Than the Petitioner

The person who completed your petition, if other than the petitioner, must sign this section. If the same individual acted as your interpreter and your preparer, then that person should complete both **Part 9.** and **Part 10.** A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.

**We recommend that you print or save a copy of your completed petition for your records.**

## What Evidence Must You Submit?

You must submit all evidence requested in these instructions with your petition. If you fail to submit required evidence, USCIS may reject or deny your petition for failure to submit requested evidence or supporting documents in accordance with 8 CFR 103.2(b)(1) and these Instructions.

## Evidence to Accompany Petition

The following evidence must, when applicable, be filed with your petition:

- 1. Lawful Business Entity.** Evidence that you have invested in, or are actively in the process of investing in, a lawful business entity validly formed after November 29, 1990, and validly operating under the laws of the jurisdiction in the United States in which it is located. If you made an investment in a business formed on or before November 29, 1990, you must submit evidence that your investment resulted in a restructuring or reorganization of the business or has caused a substantial (at least 40 percent) increase in the net worth of the business, the number of employees, or both.

Such evidence shall, as applicable, consist of:

- A. Copies of articles of incorporation, certificate of merger or consolidation, partnership agreement, certificate of limited partnership, joint venture agreement, business trust agreement, or other similar organizational document;
- B. A certificate evidencing authority to do business in a state or municipality, or if such is not required or issued, a statement to that effect; or
- C. Evidence that, as of a date after November 29, 1990, the required amount of capital was transferred to an existing business resulting in a substantial increase in the net worth or number of employees. This evidence must be in the form of stock purchase agreements, investment agreements, certified financial reports, payroll records, or other similar instruments, agreements, or documents evidencing the investment and the resulting substantial change.

- 2. Targeted Employment Area.** Evidence, if applicable, that your enterprise has created or will create employment in a targeted employment area. A targeted employment area is defined as an area that, at the time of investment, is a rural area or is designated as an area that has experienced an average unemployment rate of at least 150 percent of the national average rate. A rural area is an area not within a metropolitan statistical area and not within the outer boundary of any city or town having a population of 20,000 or more.

If the targeted employment area is rural, you must provide evidence that the new commercial enterprise is principally doing business within a civil jurisdiction not located within any metropolitan statistical area as designated by the Office of Management and Budget, nor within any city or town having a population of 20,000 or more as based on the most recent decennial census of the United States.

If the targeted employment area is an area of high unemployment, you must provide either:

- A. Evidence the metropolitan statistical area, the specific county within a metropolitan statistical area, the county in which a city or town with a population of 20,000 or more is located, or the city or town with a population of 20,000 or more outside of a metropolitan statistical area, in which the new commercial enterprise is principally doing business has experienced an average unemployment rate of 150 percent of the national average rate; or
- B. A description of the boundaries and the unemployment statistics for the area for which designation is sought as set forth in 8 CFR 204.6(i), and the reliable method or methods by which the unemployment statistics were obtained.

- 3. Investment.** Evidence that you have invested or are actively in the process of investing the required amount of capital.

Such evidence may include, but need not be limited to, copies of bank statements showing amounts deposited into the U.S. business accounts for the enterprise, evidence of assets that have been purchased for use in the enterprise, evidence of property transferred from abroad for use in the enterprise (including U.S. Customs and Border Protection commercial entry documents, bills of lading, and transit insurance policies containing ownership information and sufficient information to identify the property and to indicate the fair market value of such property), evidence of monies transferred or committed to be transferred to the NCE in exchange for shares of stock that cannot be redeemed at the holder's request, or any loan or mortgage agreement, promissory note, security agreement, or other evidence of borrowing that is secured by assets owned by the petitioner (other than those of the NCE) and for which the petitioner is personally and primarily liable.

- 4. Lawful Capital.** Evidence that the capital you invested or are actively in the process of investing was obtained through lawful means. **You must include the following documents, as applicable, with your petition:** foreign business registration records, tax returns of any kind filed by you or on your behalf within the last five years in or outside the United States, evidence of other sources of capital, or certified copies of any judgments, or evidence of all pending governmental administrative, civil or criminal actions, and any private civil actions (pending or otherwise) involving monetary judgments against the petitioner from any court in or outside the United States within the past 15 years.
- 5. Job Creation.** Evidence that the enterprise has created or will create at least ten full-time positions for qualifying employees. Qualifying employee means a U.S. citizen, lawful permanent resident, or other immigrant lawfully authorized to be employed in the United States. This definition does not include you, your spouse, your sons or daughters, or any nonimmigrant alien. Such evidence must consist of copies of relevant tax records, Form I-9s, or other similar documents, if the employees have already been hired, or a comprehensive business plan showing when such employees will be hired.

For cases involving **troubled businesses**, the petition must be accompanied by evidence that the number of existing employees is being or will be maintained at no less than the pre-investment level for a period of at least two years. Photocopies of tax records, Forms I-9s, or other relevant documents for the qualifying employees and a comprehensive business plan must be submitted.

For **regional center** cases, the full-time positions can be created either directly or indirectly by the NCE. Investors investing in a regional center are subject to all the same program requirements except that they may rely on indirect job creation as demonstrated through reasonable methodologies.

## Where To File?

Please see our website at [www.uscis.gov/I-527](http://www.uscis.gov/I-527) for the most current information about where to file this petition.

## Address Change

If you are not a U.S. citizen, you must notify USCIS of your new address within 10 days of moving from your previous residence. For information on changing your address, go to our website at [www.uscis.gov/addresschange](http://www.uscis.gov/addresschange), or call the USCIS Contact Center.

**NOTE:** Do not submit a change of address request to USCIS Lockbox.

## Processing Information

You must have a United States address to file this petition.

**Initial Processing.** Once USCIS accepts your petition we will check it for completeness. If you do not properly complete this petition, you will not establish a basis for your eligibility and we may reject or deny your petition.

**Requests for More Information.** USCIS may request that you provide more information or evidence to support your petition. We may also request that you provide the originals of any copies you submit. If we request an original document from you, we will return it to you after USCIS determines it is no longer needed.

**Requests for Interview.** We may request that you appear at a USCIS office for an interview based on your petition. During your interview, USCIS may require you to provide your biometrics to verify your identity and/or update background and security checks.

**Decision.** The decision on Form I-527 involves a determination of whether you have established eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking. USCIS will notify you of our decision in writing.

## USCIS Forms and Information

To ensure you are using the latest version of this petition, visit [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov).

## Penalties

If you knowingly and willfully falsify or conceal a material fact or submit a false document with your Form I-527, we will deny your petition and may deny any other immigration benefit. In addition, you will face severe penalties provided by law and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

## USCIS Compliance Review and Monitoring

By signing this petition, you have stated under penalty of perjury (28 U.S.C. section 1746) that all information and documentation submitted with this petition is complete, true, and correct. You also authorize the release of any information from your records that USCIS may need to determine your eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking and consent to USCIS verifying such information.

DHS has the authority to verify any information you submit to establish eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking at any time. USCIS' legal authority to verify this information is in 8 U.S.C. sections 1103, 1153, 1154, 1155, and 1357, the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1993, Pub. L. No. 102-395, section 610, 106 Stat 1828, 1874 (1992) (as amended), and 8 CFR Parts 103, 204, 205, and 287. To ensure compliance with applicable laws and authorities, USCIS may verify information before or after your case is decided.

Agency verification methods may include but are not limited to review of public records and information; contact via written correspondence, the Internet, facsimile, other electronic transmission, or telephone; unannounced physical site inspections of residences and locations of employment; and interviews. USCIS will use information obtained through verification to assess your compliance with the laws and to determine your eligibility for an immigration benefit.

Subject to the restrictions under 8 CFR 103.2(b)(16), USCIS will provide you with an opportunity to address any adverse or derogatory information that may result from a USCIS compliance review, verification, or site visit after a formal decision is made on your case or after the agency has initiated an adverse action which may result in revocation or termination of an approval.

## DHS Privacy Notice

**AUTHORITIES:** The information requested on this petition, and the associated evidence, is collected under INA sections 103 and 203(b)(5) and Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations parts 103 and 204.6.

**PURPOSE:** The primary purpose for providing the requested information on this petition, and the associated evidence, is to demonstrate that you have invested, or are actively in the process of investing, lawfully obtained capital in a new commercial enterprise in the United States that will create full-time jobs for not fewer than ten qualifying employees. DHS will use the information you provide to grant or deny the immigration benefit you are seeking.

**DISCLOSURE:** The information you provide is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information, including your Social Security number (if applicable), and any requested evidence, may delay a final decision or result in denial of your petition.

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