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	<p>additional name used. If you need extra space to complete this section, use the space provided in Part 14. Additional Information.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Item Number 6. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy). In addition to providing your actual date of birth, include any other dates of birth you have ever used, including dates used in connection with any legal names or non-legal names in the space provided in Part 14. Additional Information. Provide your date of birth in this order: Month, Day, Year. Use eight numbers to show your date of birth in the mm/dd/yyyy format. We will reject your Form N-400 if you do not provide your date of birth.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Conditional Permanent Residents</p> <p>If you are a conditional permanent resident, you must file Form I-751, Petition to Remove Conditions on Residence, or Form I-829, Petition by Investor to Remove Conditions on Permanent Resident Status, within 90 days before your conditional permanent resident status expires, unless you can establish good cause and extenuating circumstances for failing to file Form I-751 or Form I-829 during that time period. In most cases, you must have an approved Form I-751 or Form I-829 before we can approve your application for naturalization.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Item Number 9. Country of Citizenship or Nationality. Type or print the current name of the country of which you are currently a citizen or national. If the country's name has changed, type or print the current name of the country. If you are stateless, type or print the name of the country, as it currently exists, where you were last a citizen or national. If you are a citizen or national of more than one country, type or print the name of the foreign country that issued your last passport in this Item Number. Provide</p>	<p>additional name used. If you need extra space to complete this section, use the space provided in Part 13. Additional Information.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Item Number 6. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy). In addition to providing your actual date of birth, include any other dates of birth you have ever used, including dates used in connection with any legal names or non-legal names in the space provided in Part 13. Additional Information. Provide your date of birth in this order: Month, Day, Year. Use eight numbers to show your date of birth in the mm/dd/yyyy format. We will reject your Form N-400 if you do not provide your date of birth.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Conditional Permanent Residents</p> <p>[no change]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Item Number 9. Country of Citizenship or Nationality. Type or print the current name of the country of which you are currently a citizen or national. If the country's name has changed, type or print the current name of the country. If you are stateless, type or print the name of the country, as it currently exists, where you were last a citizen or national. If you are a citizen or national of more than one country, type or print the name of the foreign country that issued your last passport in this Item Number. Provide information about additional countries of</p>
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	<p>information about additional countries of citizenship or nationality using Part 14. Additional Information.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Part 9. Additional Information About You</p> <p>...</p> <p>Item Numbers 22.a. - 22.c. Almost all persons born as male who are either U.S. citizens or immigrants and are between 18 and 26 years of age must register with the Selective Service System. You may visit www.sss.gov/register/immigrants/ for information on your registration.</p> <p>If you refused to or knowingly and willfully did not register for the Selective Service when required, you may be unable to establish an attachment to the principles of the U.S. Constitution, good moral character, and a willingness to bear arms on behalf of the United States.</p> <p>[Table of 2 columns and 4 rows]</p> <p>Column 1, Row 1 = If you answer “No” to Item Number 22.b. and you are:</p> <p>Column 2, Row 1 = Then you:</p> <p>Column 1, Row 2 = <i>Under 26 years of age</i> Column 1, Row 3 = <i>26 years of age - 31 years of age (or 26 years of age - 29 years of age or above if you are applying based on being the spouse of a U.S. citizen)</i> Column 1, Row 4 = <i>31 years of age or above (or 29 years of age or above if you are applying based on being the spouse of a U.S. citizen)</i></p> <p>Column 2, Row 2 = Must register before you apply for naturalization, and then answer Item Numbers 22.b. and 22.c. Column 2, Row 3 = Must explain why you did not register in Part 14. Additional Information; and</p> <p>...</p> <p>Oath Waiver</p>	<p>citizenship or nationality using Part 13. Additional Information.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Part 9. Additional Information About You</p> <p>[no change]</p> <p>Column 2, Row 2 = Must register before you apply for naturalization, and then answer Item Numbers 22.b. and 22.c. Column 2, Row 3 = Must explain why you did not register in Part 13. Additional Information; and</p> <p>...</p> <p>Oath Waiver</p>
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	<p>You may receive a waiver of the Oath of Allegiance if you are unable to understand or to communicate an understanding of the meaning of the Oath because of a physical or developmental disability or mental impairment.</p> <p>If you indicate that you are unable to take the Oath because of a physical or developmental disability or mental impairment, see the Legal Guardian, Surrogate, or Designated Representative section in Specific Instructions by Item Number, Part 2., Item Number 11. of these Instructions.</p> <p>For additional information on the Oath of Allegiance, see Policy Manual Volume 12, Citizenship and Naturalization, Part J, Oath of Allegiance (available at www.uscis.gov/policy-manual/volume-12-part-j).</p> <p>[Page 26]</p> <p>Part 10. Request for a Fee Reduction</p> <p>You may be eligible for a fee reduction. To qualify for the reduced fee, your household income must be less than or equal to 400% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, at the time of filing, based on your household size. The Federal Poverty Guidelines are established by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services annually. To obtain information on the current Federal Poverty Guidelines, visit www.aspe.hhs.gov/topics/poverty-economic-mobility/poverty-guidelines. In Part 10., indicate whether you are requesting a fee reduction for Form N-400 and provide all the required information.</p> <p>The head of household is the person who filed the most recent Federal tax return on which you are listed as a dependent or the person who provides the majority of the household's income.</p> <p>Required Evidence - Reduced Fee</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A copy of each household member's most recent Federal tax 	<p>[no change]</p> <p>For additional information on the Oath of Allegiance, see Policy Manual Volume 12, Citizenship and Naturalization, Part J, Oath of Allegiance (available at www.uscis.gov/policy-manual/volume-12-part-j).</p> <p>[deleted]</p>
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	<p>return;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. If the household member did not file a Federal tax return, or if the tax return does not properly reflect his or her current income, submit copies of consecutive pay statements (stubs) for a minimum of the past month, a recent Form W-2, Form SSA-1099, or employer statements on business stationery showing salary or wages paid; or 1. If you are a student and not living with your mother or father or are not claimed as a dependent on your mother or father's Federal tax return, do not include your mother's or father's incomes. You should only provide proof of your income or documentation that shows you are not required to file a Federal or state tax return, such as proof that you are a full-time student as supporting documentation. <p>Part 11. Applicant's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature</p> <p>Item Numbers 1. - 4. You must sign and date your application and, if applicable, provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone number, and email address. If you cannot undergo any part of the naturalization process because of a physical or developmental disability or mental impairment, you may have a legal guardian, a surrogate, or an eligible designated representative sign the naturalization application for you. See the Legal Guardian, Surrogate, or Designated Representative section in Specific Instructions by Item Number, Part 2., Item Number 11. for additional information. A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.</p> <p>Part 12. Interpreter's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature</p> <p>Item Numbers 1. - 6. If you used anyone as an interpreter to read the Instructions and questions on this application to you in a</p>	<p>Part 10. Applicant's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature</p> <p>[no change]</p> <p>Part 11. Interpreter's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature</p> <p>[no change]</p>
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	<p>language in which you are fluent, the interpreter must fill out this section and sign and date the application.</p> <p>[Page 27]</p> <p>Part 13. Contact Information, Declaration, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Application, if Other Than the Applicant</p> <p>Item Numbers 1. - 6. The person who completed your application, if other than the applicant, must sign this section. If the same individual acted as your interpreter and your preparer, then that person should complete both Part 12. and Part 13. A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.</p> <p>Part 14. Additional Information</p> <p>Use this space to add information that could not fit in the space provided for answers to questions throughout the form.</p> <p>Part 15. Signature at Interview</p> <p>Do not complete this part. The USCIS officer will ask you to complete this part at your interview.</p> <p>Part 16. Oath of Allegiance</p> <p>Do not complete this part. The USCIS officer will ask you to complete this part at your interview.</p> <p>...</p>	<p>Part 12. Contact Information, Declaration, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Application, if Other Than the Applicant</p> <p>Item Numbers 1. - 6. The person who completed your application, if other than the applicant, must sign this section. If the same individual acted as your interpreter and your preparer, then that person should complete both Part 11. and Part 12. A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.</p> <p>Part 13. Additional Information</p> <p>Use this space to add information that could not fit in the space provided for answers to questions throughout the form.</p> <p>Part 14. Signature at Interview</p> <p>Do not complete this part. The USCIS officer will ask you to complete this part at your interview.</p> <p>Part 15. Oath of Allegiance</p> <p>[no change]</p> <p>...</p>