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FILE:



Office: SEATTLE, WA

Date:

**AUG 10 2007**

IN RE:

APPLICANT:



APPLICATION:

Application for Certificate of Citizenship pursuant to Section 301(a)(7) of the  
Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1401(a)(7).

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

SELF-REPRESENTED

INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All documents have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert P. Wiemann".

Robert P. Wiemann, Chief  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The district director, Seattle, Washington, denied the application. The matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The district director concluded that the applicant had abandoned his Form N-600, Application for Certificate of Citizenship (Form N-600 Application) by failing to respond to requests for additional evidence in his case. The Form N-600 application was denied accordingly.

On appeal, the applicant asserts that he submitted a CIS change of address form prior to September 2006. The applicant asserts that he did not receive the district director's September 6, 2006, Request for Evidence (RFE), because it was erroneously sent to his previous address.<sup>1</sup> The applicant asks for further information about the CIS requested evidence, and he asks for the opportunity to have his Form N-600 application adjudicated.

Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations (8 C.F.R.) § 103.2(b)(13) states in pertinent part:

[If] all requested initial evidence and requested additional evidence is not submitted by the required date, the application or petition shall be considered abandoned and, accordingly, shall be denied.

The regulation provides in pertinent part at 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(b)(15) that:

[A] denial due to abandonment may not be appealed, but an applicant or petitioner may file a motion to reopen under Sec. 103.5. Withdrawal or denial due to abandonment does not preclude the filing of a new application or petition with a new fee.

In the present matter, the district director determined that the applicant's Form N-600 application was abandoned. Under 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(b)(15), a denial due to abandonment cannot be appealed to the AAO. The applicant's appeal must therefore be rejected.

**ORDER:** The appeal is rejected.

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<sup>1</sup> It is noted that the record of proceedings does not contain a change of address form.