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FILE:



Office: NEBRASKA SERVICE CENTER

Date:

JUN 06 2005

IN RE:

Applicant:



APPLICATION:

Application for Travel Document Pursuant to Section 223 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1203.

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.

Robert P. Wiemann, Director
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The application was denied by the Acting Director, Nebraska Service Center, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The applicant is a native and citizen of Russia, who seeks to obtain a travel document (reentry permit) under section 223 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1203. The Acting Director denied the application after determining that the application was filed after the applicant had departed the United States. See *Acting Director's Decision* dated January 24, 2005.

The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 223.2 states in pertinent part:

(b) Eligibility.

(1) Reentry permit. Except as otherwise provided in this section, an application may be approved if filed by a person who is in the United States at the time of application and is a lawful permanent resident or conditional permanent resident.

On appeal, the applicant does not dispute the fact that he submitted the Form I-131 after he had departed the United States. The applicant states the following:

"I would like you to reconsider your decision. As I explained in documentation, I planned to return to the U.S.A. within a year, but my mother's health became worse and I need to tend to her. All my children and grandson live in U.S.A. and I would like to continue visiting with them. Thank you for your reconsideration."

The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1) states in pertinent part:

(v) Summary dismissal. An officer to whom an appeal is taken shall summarily dismiss any appeal when the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal.

In the present case the applicant has failed to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact as the basis for his appeal. Accordingly, the appeal will be summarily dismissed.

It is noted that a lawful permanent resident of the United States who is in possession of evidence of lawful admission (Form I-551) and intends to reenter the United States within one year of his/her last departure may not require a reentry permit to reenter. However, if a lawful permanent resident seeks to reenter after an absence of one year or more, and does not possess a reentry permit, he/she should contact a United States consulate abroad for further information regarding his/her possible options for return to the United States.

ORDER: The appeal is summarily dismissed.