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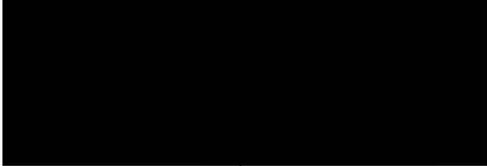
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FILE: [REDACTED]
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Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER

Date: JUL 27 2006

IN RE: Applicant: [REDACTED]

APPLICATION: Application for Status as a Temporary Resident pursuant to Section 245A of the
Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1255a

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:



INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. The file has been returned to the service center that processed your case. If your appeal was sustained, or if your case was remanded for further action, you will be contacted. If your appeal was dismissed, you no longer have a case pending before this office, and you are not entitled to file a motion to reopen or reconsider your case.


for Robert P. Wiemann, Chief
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The termination of temporary resident status by the Director, Vermont Service Center, is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The director terminated the applicant's temporary resident status because the applicant failed to file the application for adjustment of status from temporary to permanent residence within the 43-month application period.

An adverse decision on an application for temporary resident status may be appealed to the AAO. Any appeal with the required fee shall be filed with the Service Center within thirty (30) days after service of the notice of decision in accordance with the procedures of 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a). An appeal received after the 30-day period has tolled will not be accepted. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 245a.2(p). Whenever a person has the right or is required to do some act within a prescribed period after the service of notice upon him and the notice is served by mail, three days shall be added to the prescribed period. Service by mail is complete upon mailing. 8 C.F.R. § 103.5a(b).

Citizenship and Immigration Services or CIS issued the notice of termination on January 14, 2003, and mailed copies of this notice to the respective addresses of both the applicant and counsel. While the record shows that the United States Postal Service returned that copy of the notice of termination mailed to counsel as undeliverable, the applicant did include a copy of the notice of termination she received with her appeal. The appeal Form I-694 was filed 37 days later on February 20, 2003. Therefore, the appeal was untimely filed and must be rejected.

ORDER: The appeal is rejected.