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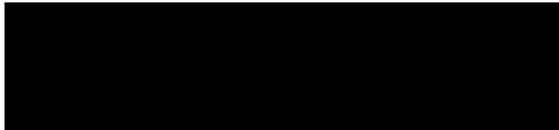
IN RE:

Applicant:



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.

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Robert P. Wiemann, Chief  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The application for temporary resident status pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreements reached in *Catholic Social Services, Inc., et al., v. Ridge, et al.*, CIV. NO. S-86-1343-LKK (E.D. Cal) January 23, 2004, and *Felicity Mary Newman, et al., v. United States Immigration and Citizenship Services, et al.*, CIV. NO. 87-4757-WDK (C.D. Cal) February 17, 2004, (CSS/Newman Settlement Agreements) was denied by the District Director, Newark, New Jersey, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The district director concluded the applicant had abandoned his application for temporary residence by failing to respond to a request for additional supporting documentation within the requisite time and, therefore, denied the application for a lack of prosecution.

On appeal, counsel indicates that the applicant is submitting the requested documents. Counsel submits documentation in support of the appeal.

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. 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(b)(13).

The record reflects that the applicant submitted a Form I-687, Application for Status as a Temporary Resident under Section 245A of the Immigration and Nationality Act, to Citizenship and Immigration Services, or CIS (formerly the Immigration and Naturalization Service, or the Service) on June 27, 2005. The record shows that the district director issued a Form I-72, Request for Additional Evidence, to the applicant on November 1, 2005, which informed the applicant that he needed to submit additional evidence in support of his Form I-687 application. The applicant was granted ninety days to submit the requested documentation. The record further shows that the applicant failed to submit the requested evidence prior to expiration of this ninety-day period.

The director determined the application had been abandoned and, therefore, denied the application for a lack of prosecution pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(b)(13).

A denial due to abandonment may not be appealed. 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(b)(15). Therefore, the appeal must be rejected.

**ORDER:** The appeal is rejected.