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FILE:

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MSC-03-224-60432

Office: CHICAGO

Date:

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IN RE:

Applicant:

[Redacted]

APPLICATION:

Application for Status as a Permanent Resident pursuant to Section 1104 of the Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act of 2000, Pub. L. 106-553, 114 Stat. 2762 (2000), amended by LIFE Act Amendments, Pub. L. 106-554, 114 Stat. 2763 (2000).

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

[Redacted]

INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. If your appeal was dismissed or rejected, all documents have been returned to the National Benefits Center. 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. If your appeal was sustained or remanded for further action, you will be contacted.

for *Michael T. Kelly*
Robert P. Wiemann, Chief
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The application for permanent resident status under the Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act was denied by the District Director, Chicago, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The district director denied the application because the applicant failed to demonstrate that he resided in a continuous unlawful status in the United States beginning prior to January 1, 1982 through May 4, 1988.

Counsel submitted a timely Form I-290B Notice of Appeal to the Administrative Appeals Office and indicated that he would submit a brief or additional evidence within 30 days. On appeal, counsel states that the applicant “provided clear and convincing evidence as to his physical presence in the United States since May of 1981.” In letter dated April 3, 2006, counsel stated that did not send a brief because “there is nothing that a brief would add to [the applicant’s] appeal.” As of this date, the AAO has not received any additional evidence from counsel or the applicant. Therefore, the record is complete.

Section 1104(c)(2)(B) of the LIFE Act states:

(i) In General – The alien must establish that the alien entered the United States before January 1, 1982, and that he or she has resided continuously in the United States in an unlawful status since such date and through May 4, 1988. In determining whether an alien maintained continuous unlawful residence in the United States for purposes of this subparagraph, the regulations prescribed by the Attorney General under section 245A(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) that were most recently in effect before the date of the enactment of this Act shall apply.

An applicant for permanent resident status under section 1104 of the LIFE Act has the burden of establishing by a preponderance of the evidence that he or she has resided in the United States for the requisite periods, is admissible to the United States, and is otherwise eligible for adjustment of status under this section. The inference to be drawn from the documentation provided shall depend on the extent of the documentation, its credibility, and amenability to verification. 8 C.F.R. § 245a.12(e).

As stated in 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(iv), any appeal that fails to state the reason for appeal, or is patently frivolous, will be summarily dismissed.

A review of the decision reveals that the director accurately set forth a legitimate basis for denial of the application. On appeal, counsel has not presented any new evidence. The applicant fails to specify how the director made any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact in denying the application. Nor has he specifically addressed the basis for denial. As the applicant presents no additional evidence on appeal to overcome the decision of the director, the appeal will be summarily dismissed in accordance with 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(iv).

ORDER: The appeal is summarily dismissed. This decision constitutes a final notice of ineligibility.