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FILE:



Office: CALIFORNIA SERVICE CENTER

Date: MAR 31 2006

IN RE:

Applicant:



APPLICATION:

Application for Status as a Temporary Resident pursuant to Section 210 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1160

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

SELF-REPRESENTED

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.

Robert P. Wiemann, Director
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The application for temporary resident status as a special agricultural worker was denied by the Director, Western Service Center. The petitioner appealed the director's decision. On appeal, the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) remanded the matter back to the director who again denied the petition. The matter is now before the AAO on appeal. The appeal will be dismissed.

The Director, California Service Center finally denied the application because the applicant failed to appear for fingerprinting. The record does not contain a response to the final notice.

As of March 29, 1998, applicants for Temporary Resident Status as a Special Agricultural Worker (I-700) are required to be fingerprinted at a USCIS Application Support Center or USCIS approved Designated Law Enforcement Agency.

On March 21, 2000, the case was remanded for a new decision fully addressing all the evidence. On September 9, 2004, the applicant was requested to appear at the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS) office in Bellflower, California during the 87-day period beginning September 23, 2004, to be fingerprinted and have his fingerprints examined for eligibility by the FBI. The notice was returned to the Service unclaimed. The applicant failed to appear. On February 4, 2005, the director denied the application because the applicant failed to appear for the required fingerprinting.

Declarations by an applicant that he /she has not had a criminal record are subject to verification of facts by the Service. The applicant must agree to fully cooperate in the verification process. 8 C.F.R. § 210.3(b)(3) states all evidence regarding admissibility and eligibility submitted by an applicant for adjustment of status will be subject to verification by the Service. Failure by an applicant to release information may result in the denial of the benefit sought. Additionally, 8 C.F.R. § 210.3(c) states in part: "A complete application for adjustment of status must be accompanied by proof of identity, evidence of qualifying employment, evidence of residence, and such evidence of admissibility or eligibility as may be required by the examining immigration officer in accordance with such requirements specified in this part."

The applicant failed to appear as required for fingerprinting. Consequently, the applicant has not met the required burden of proof establishing admissibility or eligibility for temporary resident status as a Special Agricultural Worker.

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