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**U.S. Citizenship  
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FILE:



OFFICE: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER

Date: **AUG 02 2005**

IN RE:

Applicant:



APPLICATION:

Application for Temporary Protected Status under Section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1254

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

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 Director, Vermont Service Center, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office on appeal. The case will be remanded.

The applicant is stated to be a native and citizen of El Salvador who is seeking Temporary Protected Status (TPS) under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1254.

It is noted that the record contains a G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative, from Immigration Community Services in Brentwood, New York, and the "Legal Office of Thomas Fernandez Esq." However, the U.S. Department of Justice, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Recognition and Accreditation Roster does not list either Thomas Fernandez or the Immigration Community Services in Brentwood, New York as recognized entities. Consequently, the applicant will be considered self-represented.

Under 8 C.F.R. § 103.3, "the officer shall explain in writing the specific reasons for denial."

The director denied the application on August 6, 2003; however, the director did not state the specific reasons for the denial in his decision.

Therefore, the case is remanded for the issuance of a new decision that sets forth the specific reasons for the denial.

An alien applying for temporary protected status has the burden of proving that he or she meets the requirements and is otherwise eligible under the provisions of section 244 of the Act.

**ORDER:** The case is remanded to the director for entry of a new decision.