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FILE: [REDACTED]  
[EAC 02 200 51756]

Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER

Date: AUG 26 2005

IN RE: Applicant: [REDACTED]

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

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT: SELF-REPRESENTED

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 initially denied by the Director, Vermont Service Center. The Director granted applicant's motion to reopen, but subsequently denied the application affirming his initial decision to deny. The case is now before the Administrative Appeals Office on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The applicant is 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.

The director denied the application because the applicant had failed to demonstrate his eligibility for TPS.

Although a Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative, has been submitted, the individual named is not authorized under 8 C.F.R. § 292.1 or 292.2 to represent the applicant. Therefore, the applicant shall be considered as self-represented and the decision will be furnished only to the applicant.

"Affected Party," means the person or entity with legal standing in a proceeding. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(iii)(B).

An appeal filed by a person or entity not entitled to file it must be rejected as improperly filed. In such a case, any filing fee that has been accepted will not be refunded. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(2)(v).

In this case, the appeal was filed by [REDACTED] of Centro Hispano located in Manassas, Virginia. [REDACTED] indicates on Form G-28 that his organization is a community organization, and that it has been very successful in working with the community for thirty years. However, in the absence of sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the organization is an accredited representative, neither [REDACTED] nor Centro Hispano can be recognized as having legal standing in the proceeding. Therefore, the appeal will be rejected.

An alien applying for Temporary Protected Status has the burden of proving that he or she meets the requirements enumerated above and is otherwise eligible under the provisions of section 244 of the Act. The applicant failed to meet this burden.

**ORDER:** The appeal is rejected.