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Office: CALIFORNIA SERVICE CENTER

Date: AUG 28 2006

IN RE: Applicant: [REDACTED]

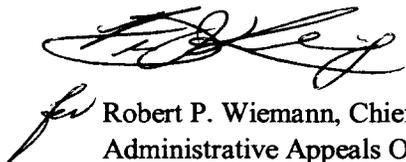
APPLICATION: Application for Temporary Protected Status under Section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1254

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:



INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All documents have been returned to the California Service Center. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

  
Robert P. Wiemann, Chief  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The application was denied by the Director, California Service Center, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office on appeal. The appeal will be dismissed.

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.

The record reveals that the applicant filed a Form I-821, Application for Temporary Protected Status, during the initial registration period under Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS) receipt number SRC 02 199 55020. The director denied that application on July 3, 2003, after determining that the applicant had abandoned his application by failing to respond to a Notice of Intent to Deny dated May 17, 2003, requesting court dispositions for all past arrests.

Since the application was denied due to abandonment, there was no appeal available; however, the applicant could have filed a request for a motion to reopen within 30 days from the date of the denial. The applicant did not file a motion to reopen during the requisite timeframe.

The applicant filed the current Form I-821, on May 3, 2005, and indicated that he was re-registering for TPS.

The director denied the re-registration application on March 17, 2006, because the applicant's initial TPS application had been denied and the applicant was not eligible to apply for re-registration for TPS.

If an alien is filing a re-registration application, a previous grant of TPS must have been afforded the applicant, as only those individuals who are granted TPS must register annually. In addition, the applicant must continue to maintain the conditions of eligibility. 8 C.F.R. § 244.17.

In this case, the applicant has not previously been granted TPS. Therefore, he is not eligible to re-register for TPS. Consequently, the director's decision to deny the application will be affirmed.

The applicant's Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint results report shows that on March 31, 1987, the applicant was arrested by the Houston Police Department for "ENTICING A CHILD." On March 23, 1990, the applicant was arrested by the Houston Police Department for assault. However, to date, the final court dispositions of these arrests are not included in the record of proceeding.

Beyond the decision of the director, the applicant has provided insufficient evidence to establish that he is a national or citizen of El Salvador. He has provided a copy of his birth certificate along with an English translation. However, a birth certificate alone does not establish nationality. The record does not contain any photo identification such as a passport or national identity document. 8 C.F.R. § 244.2(a)(1). Therefore the application shall be denied for this additional reason.

The application will be denied for the above stated reasons, with each considered as an independent and alternative basis for denial. 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 has failed to meet this burden.

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed.