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FILE: [Redacted]
MSC-05-348-13304

Office: NEWARK

Date: **AUG 29 2008**

IN RE: Applicant: [Redacted]

APPLICATION: Application for Status as a Temporary Resident pursuant to Section 245A of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1255a

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.

Robert P. Wiemann, Chief
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The application for temporary resident status pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreements reached in *Catholic Social Services, Inc., et al., v. Ridge, et al.*, CIV. NO. S-86-1343-LKK (E.D. Cal) January 23, 2004, and *Felicity Mary Newman, et al., v. United States Immigration and Citizenship Services, et al.*, CIV. NO. 87-4757-WDK (C.D. Cal) February 17, 2004, (CSS/Newman Settlement Agreements) was denied by the District Director, Newark, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

On September 29, 2006, the director denied the application after determining that the applicant had not established by a preponderance of the evidence that he had continuously resided in the United States in an unlawful status for the duration of the requisite period.

On appeal, counsel for the applicant mistakenly asserts that the director was required to issue a Notice of Intent to Deny (NOID) pursuant to paragraph 7, page 4 of the CSS Settlement Agreement and paragraph 7, page 7 of the Newman Settlement Agreement. According to the settlement agreements, the director shall issue a NOID before denying an application for class membership. Here, the director adjudicated the Form I-687 application on the merits. As a result, the director is found not to have denied the application solely on the basis of class membership. Therefore, the director was not required to issue a NOID prior to issuing the final decision in this case. Counsel also asserts that the applicant has submitted sufficient documentation to support his claim of eligibility for the immigration benefit sought, and that all evidence submitted was addressed during the applicant's interviews with immigration officers in Houston and Newark. Counsel does not specifically address the grounds for denial and does not submit any additional evidence on appeal.

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

A review of the director's decision reveals that the director accurately set forth a legitimate basis for denial of the application. On appeal, the applicant has not presented additional evidence to overcome the director's decision. Nor has he specifically addressed the basis for the denial. The appeal must therefore be summarily dismissed.

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