

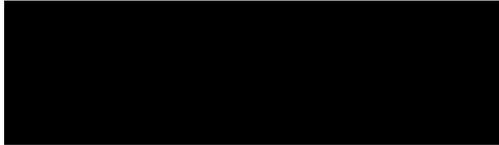


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FILE: [REDACTED] Office: CALIFORNIA SERVICE CENTER Date: JUN 04 2007  
[WAC 05 147 77203 as it pertains to SRC 99 222 50362]

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 California Service Center. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

*Robert P. Wiemann*

Robert P. Wiemann, Chief  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The initial application was denied by the Director, Texas Service Center. A subsequent application for re-registration was denied by the Director, California Service Center, and is currently before the Administrative Appeals Office on appeal. The case will be *sua sponte* reopened, the appeal will be sustained and the applications will be approved.

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

The applicant filed an initial application for TPS under receipt number SRC 99 222 50362 which was denied by the director on April 22, 2003, because the applicant had abandoned his application by failing to respond to a February 14, 2002 notice to appear for fingerprinting. The file does contain a copy of a Form I-797C, Fingerprint Notification, showing that the applicant appeared for fingerprinting at a CIS office in Atlanta, Georgia, and that his fingerprints were taken on May 14, 2005. The applicant's FBI fingerprint report results identified no derogatory information, on May 14, 2005, and again, on March 24, 2006.

The record of proceedings contains sufficient evidence to establish the applicant's eligibility for TPS and does not reflect any grounds that would bar him from receiving TPS. Therefore, the director's decision will be withdrawn and the initial application will be approved.

The director's denial of the application for re-registration or renewal is dependent upon the adjudication of the initial application. Since the initial application is being approved, the appeal from the denial of the re-registration will be sustained, and that application will also be approved.

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

**ORDER:** The initial application is reopened and the director's denial of the initial application is withdrawn. The initial application and the re-registration application are both approved. The appeal is sustained.