



Media Advisory

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USCIS to Welcomes 30 New Citizens During Fourth of July Celebration at Somerset TD Bank Ballpark

NEWARK, N.J. — U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Newark Field Office Section Manager Joseph Cardinale will preside over a special naturalization ceremony at TD Bank Ballpark in Somerset. USCIS Supervisory Immigration Services Officer Gwen Turner-Brown will administer the [*Oath of Allegiance*](#) to America's newest citizens during that ceremony. This year's ceremonies will celebrate our nation's 234th birthday under the theme, "A Spirit of Independence."

Honored guest and speaker will be Mr. Steve Kalafer, Chairman of the Somerset Patriots Baseball Organization.

The 30 citizenship candidates originate from the following 15 countries: Brazil, China, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Guatemala, India, Ireland, Jamaica, Korea, Mexico, Pakistan, Phillipines, Taiwan, United Kingdom, and Yugoslavia.

This ceremony is part of USCIS's annual celebration of Independence Day. An estimated 3,800 candidates will become citizens at 55 special ceremonies held across the country and around the world from July 1-6.

WHO: Steve Kalafer, Chairman, Somerset Patriots Baseball Stadium
Joseph Cardinale, USCIS Newark Field Office Section Manager

WHEN: Friday, July 2, 2010, 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: TD Bank Ballpark
One Patriots Park
Bridgewater, N.J.

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NOTE: Media must RSVP by Friday, July 2 at 10:00 a.m. at Luz.Irazabal@dhs.gov.