Policy Alert

SUBJECT: Registration of Lawful Permanent Resident Status

Purpose

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is issuing policy guidance in the USCIS Policy Manual addressing registration of lawful permanent resident (LPR) status.

Background

Certain foreign nationals may be eligible to register LPR status in the United States. These foreign nationals include those who entered the United States during specific time periods in U.S. history as well as accredited diplomats’ children born in the United States who opt to register their LPR status.

This guidance, contained in Volume 7 of the Policy Manual, consolidates the guidance in Chapters 23.4 and 23.7 of the Adjudicator’s Field Manual and related appendices and USCIS policy memoranda. The guidance contained in the Policy Manual is controlling and supersedes any prior guidance on registration of LPR status.

Policy Highlights

- Provides guidance on eligibility and evidentiary requirements for presumption of lawful admission and creation of record, registration by children born in the United States to accredited foreign diplomats, and the registry program.

- Provides guidance on presumption of lawful admission following certain errors that occurred at the time of admission.

- Explains relevant codes of admission and effective dates of LPR status for approved applications for registration.

Citation

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