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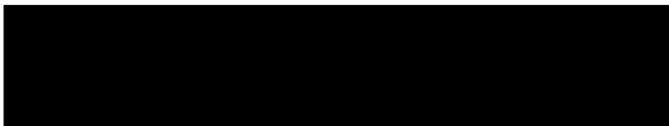
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Applicant:



APPLICATION:

Application for Adjustment from Temporary to Permanent Resident Status under
Section 245A of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C.
§ 1255a

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 office that originally decided your case. If your appeal was sustained, or if your case was remanded for further action, you will be contacted. If your appeal was dismissed, 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.

Robert P. Wiemann, Chief
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The District Director, California Service Center denied the application for adjustment to permanent resident status in the legalization program because it was untimely filed. The matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office. The appeal will be rejected.

The regulation at 8 C.F. R. § 103.3(a)(1)(iii) states, in pertinent part:

(B) *Meaning of affected party.* For purposes of this section and §§ 103.4 and 103.5 of this part, *affected party* (in addition to the Service) means the person or entity with legal standing in a proceeding. It does not include the beneficiary of a visa petition.

The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(2)(v) states:

Improperly filed appeal – (A) Appeal filed by person or entity not entitled to file it – (1) Rejection without refund of filing fee. An appeal filed by a person or entity not entitled to file it must be rejected as improperly filed. In such a case, any filing fee the Service has accepted will not be refunded.

Only an *affected party*, a person or entity with legal standing, may file an appeal of an unfavorable decision. [REDACTED] who identified herself as a friend, signed the Form I-694, Notice of Appeal of Decision under Section 210 or 245A of the Immigration and Nationality Act. The record does not contain a Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative, authorizing [REDACTED] to act on behalf of the applicant, and [REDACTED] is not recognized as an authorized or accredited representative pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 292.1(a). The appeal has not been filed by the applicant, or by any entity with legal standing in the proceeding. Therefore, the appeal has not been properly filed and must be rejected.

Additionally, pursuant to section 245A(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1255a(f), no denial of adjustment of status under this section based on a late filing of an application for such adjustment may be reviewed by a court of the United States or of any State or reviewed in any administrative proceeding of the United States Government.

The Administrative Appeals Office is without authority to review the denial of the application. The appeal must be rejected, in spite of the fact that the director stated an appeal could be filed.

The record reflects that on October 23, 1992, the applicant was arrested by the El Monte, California Police Department for burglary and attempted grand theft auto. The record also reflects that on August 5, 2004, the applicant was arrested by the Pasadena, California Police Department for burglary. The record does not contain a final disposition of these offenses.

ORDER: The appeal is rejected.