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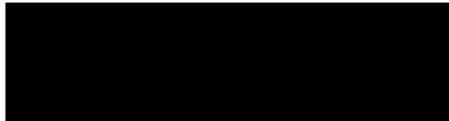
IN RE: Applicant:



APPLICATION:

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

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:



INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. The file has been returned to the National Benefits Center. If your appeal was sustained, or if the matter 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 application for temporary resident status was denied by the Director, District Office, Atlanta, Georgia, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The director denied the application because the evidence submitted with the application was insufficient to establish eligibility for Temporary Resident Status pursuant to the terms of the CSS/Newman settlement agreements.

On appeal, counsel contends that the applicant's right to due process was violated. Counsel also contends that the director erred in denying the instant application without looking at the favorable factors of the application and evidence. Finally, counsel asserts that the AAO does not have jurisdiction in this matter, according to the CSS/Newman Settlement Agreements, and the case should be appealed to the Special Master.

An adverse decision on an application for temporary resident status may be appealed to the Administrative Appeals Office. Any appeal with the required fee shall be filed with the Service Center within thirty (30) days after service of the notice of denial or termination. An appeal received after the thirty-day period has tolled will not be accepted. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 245a.2(p). Whenever a person has the right or is required to do some act within a prescribed period after the service of a notice upon him and the notice is served by mail, three days shall be added to the prescribed period. Service by mail is complete upon mailing. 8 C.F.R. § 103.5a(b).

The record reflects that the director sent the Notice of Decision on January 5, 2007, to the applicant and counsel at their addresses of record.

The Form I-694 appeal was submitted on January 30, 2007, but rejected for failure to include the correct filing fee. The appeal was resubmitted on February 14, 2007, 40 days after the director's decision. Therefore, the appeal was untimely filed, and must be rejected.

ORDER: The appeal is rejected as untimely filed.