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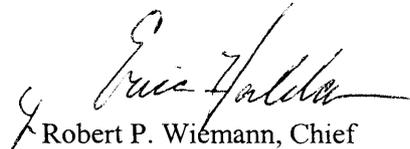
APPLICATION: Application for Temporary Resident Status under Section 245A of the
Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1255a

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

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 application for temporary resident status pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreements reached in *Catholic Social Services, Inc., et al., v. Ridge, et al.*, CIV. NO. S-86-1343-LKK (E.D. Cal) January 23, 2004, and *Felicity Mary Newman, et al., v. United States Immigration and Citizenship Services, et al.*, CIV. NO. 87-4757-WDK (C.D. Cal) February 17, 2004 (CSS/Newman Settlement Agreements), was denied by the District Director, Chicago. The decision is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected as untimely filed.

The director denied the application because the applicant failed to provide evidence that he had resided unlawfully in the United States for the requisite period.

An adverse decision on an application for temporary resident status may be appealed to the AAO; the appeal with the required fee must be filed within thirty (30) days after service of the notice of denial. 8 C.F.R. § 245a.2(p). If the decision, or notice of denial, was mailed, the applicant is afforded an additional three (3) days, and the appeal must be filed within thirty-three (33) days. 8 C.F.R. § 103.5a(b). The date of filing is not the date of mailing, but the date of actual receipt. 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(a)(7)(i). An appeal that is not timely filed will not be accepted. 8 C.F.R. § 245a.2(p).

In this case, the director issued the notice of denial on October 17, 2005, and mailed it to the applicant's address of record. The appeal was received on November 22, 2005, 36 days later. Therefore, the appeal was untimely filed and must be rejected.

ORDER: The appeal is rejected.