

## Instructions

Please read these instructions carefully to properly complete this form. If you need more space to complete an answer, use a separate sheet(s) of paper. Write your name and Alien Registration Number (A #), if any, at the top of each sheet of paper and indicate the section and number of the item to which the answer refers.

### Who May File This Petition?

If you have been admitted to the United States as a refugee or if you have been granted status in the United States as an asylee, and you were the principal applicant for your family, you may file this petition, **provided that** your refugee admission or asylum grant occurred within the past two (2) years. Approval of the I-730 petition for a relative abroad does not guarantee visa issuance. A separate Form I-730 must be filed for each qualifying family member for whom you are petitioning.

You are not eligible to file this petition if:

1. You were granted status as an accompanying or following-to-join derivative refugee or asylee; or
2. You were admitted to the United States as a refugee more than two years ago (see **NOTE 1**); or
3. You were granted status in the United States as an asylee more than two years ago (see **NOTE 1**); or
4. You became a naturalized United States citizen prior to filing this Form (I-730). If you are currently a United States citizen, you may file Form I-130 to petition for your spouse or minor children. (*Note:* If you previously filed a Form I-730 for your relative when you were a principal refugee but now you are a U.S. citizen and USCIS has not yet adjudicated your petition, USCIS may continue to process your relative for refugee resettlement in the United States as a matter in the public interest, **provided that** your relative is otherwise qualified for consideration by the U.S. Refugee Program. See 8 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 207.1 (d)).

**NOTE 1:** The two-year limitation may be waived by USCIS for humanitarian reasons. Please explain in Part 3 of the form why the petitioner could not file within two years of being granted status. USCIS will make a decision based upon the explanation.

### Who Is Eligible to Receive Accompanying or Following-to-Join Benefits?

**Your spouse and/or your unmarried child(ren) under (21) years of age**, whether living inside or outside of the United States, are eligible for accompanying or following-to-join benefits **provided that** the family member(s) qualify under the conditions described below.

#### *If you are a principal refugee:*

1. The relationship between you and your relative must have existed on the date you were admitted to the United States as a refugee and must continue to exist.
  - a. If the person you are filing for is a child who was conceived but not yet born on the date you were

admitted to the United States, the relationship will be considered to exist as of the date you were admitted to the United States. (See **NOTE 2**)

- b. The mother of such child is not an eligible relative unless the mother was married to you, the principal refugee, when you were admitted to the United States.

**NOTE 2:** If your child was physically born in the United States, then the child is a U.S. Citizen, and you do not need to file this form. You should obtain documentation of the child's citizenship, such as a birth certificate and/or passport.

#### *If you are a principal asylee:*

1. The relationship between you and your relative must have existed on the date you were granted asylum in the United States and must continue to exist.
  - a. If the person you are filing for is a child who was conceived but not yet born on the date you were admitted to the United States, the relationship will be considered to exist as of the date you were admitted to the United States. (See **NOTE 3**)
  - b. The mother of such child is not an eligible relative unless the mother was married to you, the principal asylee, when you were granted asylum in the United States.

**NOTE 3:** If your child was physically born in the United States, then the child is a U.S. citizen and you do not need to file this form. You should obtain documentation of the child's citizenship such as a birth certificate and/or passport.

#### *Children who have reached the age of 21:*

1. For asylees, a child who is under 21 on the date the Form I-589, Application for Asylum and Withholding of Removal, is received by USCIS will continue to be classified as a child for purposes of determining asylum eligibility and related benefits. For refugees, a child who is under 21 on the date the principal alien is first interviewed by USCIS will continue to be classified as a child for purposes of determining refugee eligibility and related benefits. In both cases, in order to be considered a derivative child, the principal alien must have listed the child on the Form I-589 or Form I-590, Registration for Classification as Refugee, as appropriate, prior to the derivative's 21st birthday and prior to adjudication of the application. If your I-589 application for asylum or your I-590 application for refugee status was filed before August 6, 2002, **and your child turned 21 prior to that date**, that application must still have been pending on August 6, 2002 in order for your child to continue to be classified as a child.

In all cases, your child must be unmarried on the date you filed this petition and at the time it is decided by USCIS in order to receive derivative asylum or refugee status.

2. A spouse or child of a principal refugee must be otherwise admissible as an immigrant. A spouse or child of a principal asylee must not be subject to the mandatory bars of 8 CFR 208.21. Note: If the spouse or child of a principal asylee is otherwise inadmissible as an immigrant, this fact may be considered in determining whether USCIS will exercise its discretion favorably to grant accompanying or following to join asylee benefits to such spouse or child.

***A petition may not be approved for the following persons:***

1. A spouse or child who has previously been granted refugee or asylee status.
2. An adopted child, if the adoption took place after the child became 16 years old, or if the child has not been in legal custody and living with the adoptive parent(s) for at least two years.
3. A stepchild, if the marriage that created this relationship took place after the child became 18 years old.
4. A husband or wife, if each was not physically present at the marriage ceremony and the marriage was not consummated.
5. A husband or wife, if it is determined that such alien has attempted or conspired to enter into a marriage for the purpose of evading immigration laws.
6. A parent, sister, brother, grandparent, grandchild, nephew, niece, uncle, aunt, cousin or in-law.

***Warning: If your alien relative is in the United States illegally, he or she is subject to removal if the I-730 petition is not granted by USCIS. Any information provided in completing this petition may be used as a basis for initiating, or as evidence in, removal proceedings, even if the petition is later withdrawn. Unexcused failure of your alien relative to appear for an appointment to provide biometrics (such as fingerprints) and other biographical information within the time allowed may result in dismissal of the petition. See 8 CFR section 103.2(b)(13).***

**Penalty for Perjury.** All statements in response to questions contained in this petition are declared to be true and correct under penalty of perjury. You and anyone who assists you in preparing the petition must sign the petition under penalty of perjury. Your signature is evidence that you are aware of the contents of this petition. Any person assisting you in preparing this form must include his or her name, address, telephone number, and sign the petition where indicated in Part 7. Failure of the preparer to sign will result in the petition being returned to you as an incomplete petition. If USCIS later learns that you received assistance from someone who **willfully** failed to sign the petition, this may result in an adverse ruling against you.

Title 18, United States Code (U.S.C.), Section 1546(a), provides in part:

Whoever knowingly makes under oath, or as permitted under penalty of perjury under Section 1746 of Title 28, United States Code, knowingly subscribes as true, any false statement with respect to a material fact in any application, affidavit, or other document required by the immigration laws or regulations prescribed thereunder, or knowingly presents any such application, affidavit, or other document containing any such false statement shall be fined in accordance with this title or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both.

If aggravating factors exist, the maximum term of imprisonment for a conviction under 18 U.S.C. § 1546(a) could reach 25 years.

If you knowingly provide false information on this petition, you or the preparer of this petition may be subject to criminal penalties under Title 18 of the U.S.C. and to civil penalties under section 274C of the INA, 8 U.S.C. 1324c.

**General Instructions.**

Type or print legibly in black ink.

If you need extra space to complete any item, attach a separate continuation sheet. Indicate the item number, date and sign each sheet.

Answer all questions fully and accurately. Portions left unanswered may result in a Request for Evidence. If the previous marriages portion does not apply to you, please state "none." For all other portions that do not apply to you, please state "N/A."

In Part 2, on page one, please supply the *current* residential and mailing addresses (include the mailing address if it is different from the residential address) of your alien relative and indicate whether your alien relative is living inside or outside of the United States. If your alien relative is outside of the United States, please indicate at which USCIS Office or U.S. Consulate or Embassy your alien relative will apply for travel authorization. In Part 2 on page two, please supply the *current* mailing address of your alien relative *written in the language of the country where he or she now resides*, in order for him or her to receive an interview notice or other correspondence from USCIS. Failure to provide your relative's mailing address in the language of the country where he or she resides may result in significant delays in interviewing your relative and processing this petition.

**If your alien relative is inside the United States**, both you and your alien relative, if age 14 or over, must sign the petition at the time of filing.

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**If your alien relative is outside of the United States**, only you are required to sign the petition at the time of filing.

Regardless of the location of your alien relative, he or she will be required to review the information on this petition at the time of his or her interview, verify that it is accurate, and sign at the time of the interview.

**Submission of Documents.** You should submit one readable photocopy of each required document to USCIS. You should not submit original documents unless you are asked for them. For example, USCIS may require that you provide for review the original document of any copy you submit.

**Translation.** Documents in a foreign language must be accompanied by a complete English translation. The translator must certify that the translation is accurate and that he or she is competent to translate.

### **What Documents Do You Need to Prove Eligibility and a Family Relationship?**

Certain documents are required to be submitted with this petition to show that you are eligible to file this petition and to show that a relationship exists between you and your relative. (If the documents described below are not available, see the sections of these instructions entitled "What If a Document Is Not Available?" and "What If Secondary Evidence Is Not Available?")

1. In all cases, submit **evidence of your status** as a refugee or asylee in the United States.
2. In all cases, submit a recently taken clear **photograph** of the family member for whom you are filing. The photograph must be a full frontal picture of your family member, in color and meet passport specifications. For more information on photographs, you may call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283.
3. If you are petitioning for your **husband or wife**, submit your marriage certificate and the birth certificate of your spouse. If you and/or your spouse were previously married to other people, submit evidence of the legal termination of the previous marriage(s) such as a divorce or death certificate. Evidence of any legal name change must also be submitted, if applicable.
4. If you are petitioning for your **child** and you are the **natural mother**, whether the child was born in or out of wedlock, submit the child's birth certificate showing both the child's name and your name. Evidence of any legal name change must also be submitted if the names on the birth certificate do not match the names on the petition.
5. If you are petitioning for your **child** and you are the **natural father**, submit the child's birth certificate showing both the child's name and your name. If you were married to the child's mother, submit your marriage certificate. If you and/or the child's mother were previously married to other people, submit evidence of the legal termination of the previous marriage(s).

If you were not married to the child's mother, submit evidence that the child was legitimated by civil authorities and submit evidence that a bona fide parent/child relationship exists or existed between you and the child. Evidence of a bona fide parent/child relationship should prove that you have emotional and financial ties to the child, and that you have shown genuine general welfare. Such evidence may include (but is not limited to) the following:

- a. Money order receipts;
  - b. Canceled checks showing financial support of the child;
  - c. Income tax returns in which you claim the child as a dependent and member of your household;
  - d. Medical or insurance records that include the child as a dependent;
  - e. School records for the child;
  - f. Correspondence between you and the child;
  - g. Notarized affidavits of reliable persons who are knowledgeable about the relationship. Evidence of any legal name change must also be submitted, if applicable.
6. If you are petitioning for your **stepchild**, submit the child's birth certificate and the marriage certificate between you and the child's natural parent. If you and/or the child's natural parent were ever previously married to other people, submit evidence of the legal termination of the previous marriage(s). Evidence of any legal name changes must also be submitted, if applicable.
  7. If you are petitioning for your **adopted child**, submit a certified copy of the adoption decree and evidence that you resided together with the child for at least two years. If you were granted legal custody of the child prior to the adoption, submit a certified copy of the court order granting custody. Evidence of any legal name changes must also be submitted, if applicable.

### **What If a Document Is Not Available?**

If the documents described above are not available from the civil authorities, you may submit the following, as secondary evidence, along with a statement from the appropriate civil authority certifying that the required document(s) is (are) not available.

1. **Religious institution record:** A certificate under the seal of the religious institution where the baptism, dedication or comparable rite occurred within two months after birth, showing the date and place of the child's birth, the date of the religious ceremony, and the names of the child's parents.

2. **School record:** A letter from the authorities of the school(s) attended, showing the date of admission to the school, the child's date and place of birth and the names of both parents, if shown on the school records.
3. **Census record:** State or federal census record showing name, place of birth, and date of birth or the age of the person(s) listed.

### What If Secondary Evidence is Not Available?

If the secondary evidence described above is not available, you can submit affidavits. If you submit affidavits, they must overcome the absence of primary and secondary evidence.

#### **Affidavits:**

Submit written statements sworn to or affirmed by two persons who were living at the time and who have personal knowledge of the event you are trying to prove: for example, the date and place of birth, marriage, divorce or death. The persons making the affidavits do not have to be United States citizens.

Each affidavit should contain the following information regarding the person making the affidavit: his or her full name, address, date and place of birth and his or her relationship to you (if any); full information concerning the event; and complete details concerning how the person acquired the knowledge of the event.

### What Additional Documents Must You Submit?

**If your alien relative is in the United States**, please submit a copy of both sides of his or her Form I-94, Arrival/Departure Record, if any.

### **Biometrics (e.g., Fingerprints and Photographs)**

Identity, background and security checks are required on your alien relative before he or she may be granted derivative asylum or refugee status. For example, USCIS must check the records of the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and other information, including all relevant databases of the U.S. Government before asylum may be granted to your relative. To facilitate these checks, USCIS may require your alien relative to provide biometrics. Where applicable, this means that your relative must be fingerprinted, if age 14 or over, and photographed. Your alien relative will be given instructions on how to complete this requirement. If your alien relative is living in the United States and is subject to biometrics collection, he or she will be notified, in writing, of the appointment time and the location of the Application Support Center (ASC) or the designated Law Enforcement Agency where he or she must go to be fingerprinted and photographed. If your relative is living outside of the United States, he or she will be given instructions, if applicable, for fingerprinting and photographs by DHS, the Department of State (DOS) or Overseas Processing Entities (OPEs) (i.e., organizations who assist the U.S. government).

Your relative's unexcused failure to appear for a scheduled appointment or to provide biometrics where required, including fingerprints and photographs, or to provide other biographical information within the time allowed may result in the denial of this I-730 petition.

### **Where to File.**

#### **Nebraska Service Center Filings**

File Form I-730 with the Nebraska Service Center if you, the petitioner, currently live in the following states:

Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin or Wyoming.

The mailing address you should use is:

#### **USCIS - Nebraska Service Center**

P.O. Box 87730  
Lincoln, NE 68501-7730

#### **Texas Service Center Filings**

File Form I-730 with the Texas Service Center if you, the petitioner, currently live in the following states:

Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, West Virginia or Washington, DC.

The mailing address you should use is:

#### **USCIS - Texas Service Center**

P.O. Box 852824  
Mesquite, TX 75185

### **Interview Process.**

**If your alien relative is living in the United States**, USCIS may request that he or she appear for an interview. A written notice of the date, time, and place (address) of the scheduled interview will be sent to your relative. (In addition to your alien relative, you, the petitioner, may be asked to appear for an interview.) See 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(a)(9) ("[A] petitioner... [or] a beneficiary... may be required to appear... for an interview."). Your alien relative generally will be required to appear at an ASC for biometrics collection before the interview will take place (see section entitled "Biometrics (e.g., Fingerprints and Photographs)").

USCIS suggests that your alien relative bring a copy of your Form I-730, Refugee/Asylee Relative Petition, to the interview. An asylum officer will interview your alien relative under oath and make a determination concerning your petition. Your alien relative may receive notification of the decision in the case on the day of the interview, or he or she will in some cases be notified of the decision on a date after the interview. Your alien relative has the right to legal representation at the interview, at no cost to the United States Government. Your alien relative also may bring witnesses to the interview to testify on his or her behalf.

**If your alien relative, who resides in the United States, is unable to proceed with the interview in fluent English and you are applying for derivative asylum status for your relative, he or she must provide at no expense to USCIS a competent interpreter fluent in both English and a language that your alien relative speaks fluently.** See 8 C.F.R. 208.9(g). The interpreter must be at least 18 years of age. The following persons cannot serve as the interpreter: your or your alien relative's attorney or representative of record; a witness testifying on your alien relative's behalf at the interview; or a representative or employee of your country. Quality interpretation may be crucial to your petition. Such assistance must be obtained, at your expense, prior to the interview.

**Failure without good cause to bring a competent interpreter to the interview may be considered an unexcused failure to appear for the interview. Any unexcused failure to appear for an interview may result in dismissal of your petition. (See NOTE 4)**

If you are hearing-impaired and require the services of a sign-language interpreter in your language, one will be provided for you. Please contact the asylum office with jurisdiction over your case as soon as you receive a notice for your interview to notify the office that you will need a sign-language interpreter in your language, so that accommodations can be made in advance.

**NOTE 4:** Although current regulations only require individuals seeking asylum to bring competent interpreters to the interview in the U.S., USCIS strongly suggests that individuals seeking derivative refugee status should also bring an interpreter for the interview in accordance with these instructions.

If available, your alien relative must bring some form of identification to the interview, including any passport(s), other travel or identification documents, or the Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Record. Your alien relative may bring to the interview any additional available items in support of the petition that have not already been submitted with your petition. All documents must be submitted in triplicate.

**If your alien relative is living outside of the United States,** he or she will be interviewed by an appropriate U.S. government official in accordance with DHS and DOS procedures for refugee and asylee derivative interviews in the specific country. Your relative will be notified of the time and place for his or her interview.

### **What Are the Penalties for Committing Marriage Fraud?**

1. Title 8, United States Code, Section 1325, states that any person who knowingly enters into a marriage contract for the purpose of evading any provision of the immigration laws shall be imprisoned for not more than five years, or fined not more than \$250,000, or both.
2. Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, states that whoever willfully and knowingly falsifies a material fact, makes a false statement or makes use of a false document will be fined up to \$10,000 or imprisoned up to five years, or both.

### **What Is Our Authority for Collecting This Information?**

USCIS requests the information on the form to carry out the immigration laws contained in Title 8, United States Code, Sections 1157(c)(2) and 1158(b)(3). USCIS needs this information to determine whether a person is eligible for immigration benefits. The information you provide and the information provided by your relative beneficiary, including biometrics, may also be disclosed to other federal, state, local and foreign law enforcement and regulatory agencies during the course of the investigation by USCIS or for other lawful purposes, subject to applicable confidentiality provisions. You do not have to give this information. However, if you refuse to give some or all of it, your petition may be denied.

### **USCIS Forms and Information.**

To order USCIS forms, call our toll-free number at **1-800-870-3676**. You can also get USCIS forms and information on immigration laws, regulations and procedures by telephoning our National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283** or visiting our internet website at **www.uscis.gov**.

As an alternative to waiting in line for assistance at your local USCIS office, you can now schedule an appointment through our internet-based system, **InfoPass**. To access the system, visit our website. Use the **InfoPass** appointment scheduler and follow the screen prompts to set up your appointment. **InfoPass** generates an electronic appointment notice that appears on the screen. Print the notice and take it with you to your appointment. The notice gives the time and date of your appointment, along with the address of the USCIS office.

**NOTE: Asylum Offices do not use InfoPass. If you have a question regarding a petition in the jurisdiction of an Asylum Office, you should visit the Asylum Office and make your inquiry there.**

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## Paperwork Reduction Act.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 35 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, completing and submitting the form. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529. OMB No. 1615-0037. **Do not mail your application to this address.**

### Check List.

1. Did you answer each question on the Form I-730 petition according to the instructions on the form?
2. Did you sign and date the petition?
3. Did you submit proof of your status as a refugee or asylee in the United States?
4. Did you submit documented proof of relationship, including copies and/or translations?
5. Did you submit the beneficiary's photo?
6. Did you provide the beneficiary's address where he or she is residing now?
7. Did you provide the beneficiary's name and address as written in the language of his or her country of residence?
8. If your beneficiary is currently residing in the United States, did he or she review the information on this petition for accuracy?
9. If your beneficiary is currently residing in the United States, did he or she read the certification statement, sign it and date it?

# I-730, Refugee/Asylee Relative Petition

**DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BLOCK - FOR USCIS OFFICE ONLY**

<b>Section of Law</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 207 (c)(2) Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> 207 (c)(2) Child <input type="checkbox"/> 208 (b)(3) Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> 208 (b)(3) Child	Action Stamp	Receipt
Reviewed For Material Support  Date:		Remarks

**START HERE - Please type or print legibly in black ink.**

Petitioner's Status:  Refugee  Lawful Permanent Resident based on previous Refugee status  
 Asylee  Lawful Permanent Resident based on previous Asylee status

The beneficiary is the petitioner's:  Spouse  
 Unmarried child who is a (n):  Biological Child  Stepchild  Adopted Child

Number of relatives for whom petitioner is filing separate I-730 petitions: \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ )

**Part 1. Information about you, the petitioner.**

Family Name (Last Name), Given Name (First Name), Middle Name:

Address of Residence (*Where you physically reside.*)

Street Number and Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State or Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (*If different from residence.*) - C/O:

Street Number and Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt.#: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State or Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number including Country and City/Area Code:

Your e-mail address, if available:

Gender: a.  Male  
 b.  Female  
 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship/ Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Alien Registration # (A#): \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Social Security # (*If applicable.*): \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 2. Information about your alien relative, the beneficiary.**

Family Name (Last Name), Given Name (First Name), Middle Name:

Address of Residence (*Where the beneficiary physically resides.*)

Street Number and Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State or Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (*If different from residence.*) - C/O:

Street Number and Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt.#: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State or Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number including Country and City/Area Code:

The beneficiary's e-mail address, if available:

Gender: a.  Male  
 b.  Female  
 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship/ Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Alien Registration Number(A#): \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Social Security # (*If applicable.*): \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 1. Information about you, the petitioner. (Continued.)**

Other Name(s) Used (Including maiden name):

If Married, Name of Spouse, Date (mm/dd/yyyy) and Place of Present Marriage:

If Previously Married, Name(s) of Prior Spouse(s):

Date(s) (mm/dd/yyyy) and Place(s) Previous Marriage(s) Ended:

If you were approved for Refugee Status, provide date (mm/dd/yyyy) and Place Admitted to the United States as a Refugee:

Date (mm/dd/yyyy) and Place Asylee Status was granted in the United States:

OR

Date (mm/dd/yyyy) and Place You Received Your Approval for Refugee Status While Living Abroad:

**Part 2. Information about your alien relative, the beneficiary. (Continued.)**

Other Name(s) Used (Including maiden name):

If Married, Name of Spouse, Date (mm/dd/yyyy) and Place of Present Marriage:

If Previously Married, Name(s) of Prior Spouse(s):

Date(s) (mm/dd/yyyy) and Place(s) Previous Marriage(s) Ended:

- Beneficiary is currently in the United States.
- Beneficiary is outside the United States and will apply for travel authorization at a USCIS Office or a U.S. Consulate or Embassy in:

\_\_\_\_\_

City and Country

**To Be Completed By****Attorney or Representative, if any.**

- Fill in box if G-28 is attached to represent the petitioner.

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**Part 2. Information about the beneficiary. (Continued.)**Name and **mailing** address of the beneficiary written in the language of the country where he or she now **resides**:

Family Name:

Given Name:

Middle Name:

Address - C/O:

Street Number and Name:

Apt. #:

City/State or Province:

Zip/Postal Code/Country:

Check the box, a through d, that applies:

- a.  The beneficiary has never been in the U.S.
- b.  The beneficiary is now in immigration court proceedings in the U.S. Where? \_\_\_\_\_
- c.  The beneficiary has never been in immigration court proceedings in the U.S.
- d.  The beneficiary is not now in immigration court proceedings in the U.S., but has been in the past. Where? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the beneficiary's native language?

Is the beneficiary fluent in English?

- No
- Yes

What other language(s) does the beneficiary speak fluently:

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**Part 2. Information about the beneficiary. (Continued.)**

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Please list each of the beneficiary's entries into the U.S., if any, beginning with the most recent entry (attach an additional sheet if the beneficiary has more than two entries into the U.S.):

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Status: \_\_\_\_\_ I-94#: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Status Expires/Expired: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Status: \_\_\_\_\_ I-94#: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Status Expires/Expired: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Part 3. Two-year filing deadline.**

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Is the petitioner filing this application more than two years after the date the petitioner was admitted to the U.S. as a refugee or granted asylee status?  No  Yes

If the petitioner answered yes to the previous question, please explain the delay in filing (Attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.):

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**Part 4. Warning.**

**WARNING: Beneficiaries who are in the United States illegally are subject to removal if the I-730 petition is not granted by USCIS. Any information provided in completing this application may be used as a basis for the institution of, or as evidence in, removal proceedings, even if the petition is later withdrawn. Unexcused failure by the beneficiary to appear for an appointment to provide biometrics (such as fingerprints and photographs) and biographical information within the time allowed may result in denial of the I-730 petition. Information provided on this form and biometrics and biographical information provided by the beneficiary may also be used in producing an Employment Authorization Document if the beneficiary is granted derivative refugee or asylee status.**

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**Part 5. Signature of petitioner.** *Read the information on penalties in the instructions and the warning in Part 4 before completing this section and sign below. If someone other than the beneficiary helped you to prepare this petition, that person must complete Part 7.*

*I certify or, if outside the United States, I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that this petition and the evidence submitted with it is all true and correct. I authorize the release of any information from my record which U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services needs to determine eligibility for the benefit I am seeking.*

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Signature	Print Full Name	Date	Daytime Telephone Number
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*NOTE: If you do not completely fill out this form or fail to submit the required documents listed in the instructions, your relative may not be found eligible for the requested benefit and this petition may be denied.*

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**Part 6. Signature of beneficiary, if in the U.S.** *Read the information on penalties in the instructions and the warning in Part 4 before completing this section and sign below. If someone other than the petitioner helped you to prepare this petition, that person must complete Part 7.*

*NOTE: If the beneficiary is not currently in the U.S., this section should be left blank.*

*I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that this petition and the evidence submitted with it is all true and correct. I authorize the release of any information from my record which U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services needs to determine eligibility for the benefit I am seeking.*

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Signature	Print Full Name	Date	Daytime Telephone Number
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*NOTE: If you do not completely fill out this form or fail to submit the required documents and biometrics listed in the instructions, you may not be found eligible for the requested benefit and this petition may be denied.*

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**Part 7. Signature of person preparing form, if other than petitioner or beneficiary above.**

*I declare that I prepared this petition at the request of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of person(s) above), and it is based on all of the information of which I have knowledge.*

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Signature	Print Full Name	Date	Daytime Telephone Number
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Firm Name and Address	E-Mail Address (If any.)
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**Part 8. To be completed at interview of beneficiary, if applicable (age 14 and over).**

*Beneficiaries in the U.S. will be interviewed by USCIS officers. Their petitioners may also be interviewed. Beneficiaries living overseas will be interviewed by a USCIS officer or a DOS consular officer.*

I swear (affirm) that I know the contents of this application that I am signing, including the attached documents and supplements, and that they are  all true or  not all true to the best of my knowledge and that correction(s) numbered \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ were made by me or at my request. With these corrections, the information on this form is now true.

Signed and sworn before me by the beneficiary named herein on:

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Signature of Beneficiary

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Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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Write your Name in your Native Alphabet

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Signature of USCIS Officer or DOS Consular Officer