



COMPLETING YOUR CITIZENSHIP APPLICATION

IMPORTANT: Before you apply for citizenship, read our other sheets:

- **When to Get Legal Help Before Applying for Citizenship**
- **Don't Vote Unless You Are a U.S. Citizen**

You will need the following information to complete your citizenship application:

- **GREEN CARD.** (I-551 or I-151).
- **DATES OF TRAVEL.** Dates of all trips you took outside of the U.S. since becoming a permanent resident
- **RESIDENCES.** Addresses of places you lived during the past 5 years
- **EMPLOYERS.** List of employers you had during the past 5 years. Include the name of the company, the address, the dates of your employment and the positions you held.
- **SPOUSE.** Information about your spouse, even if your spouse is not a legal permanent resident. Include your spouse's name, address, date of birth, date and place of marriage, Social Security number and alien number (if applicable). If your spouse is a naturalized citizen, you will need the place and date of naturalization. You must provide this information, even if your spouse is not a legal resident.
- **PAST MARRIAGES.** If you have been married before or if your present spouse has been married before, you will need to report the name of the prior spouse, the date of the marriage, the date the marriage ended, how the marriage ended and the current immigration status of the prior spouse.
- **CHILDREN.** Information about ALL of your children, including those who are deceased. List all children from previous relationships or marriages and including any children who do not live in the U.S. Include their names, dates and places of birth, current residence and alien number, if applicable.
- **POLICE RECORDS.** If you were arrested for any reason, including misdemeanors and drunk driving, you need the dates of arrest, charges and copy of the court ruling for each offense. **If you have been convicted of ANY crime, seek legal help from an immigration attorney BEFORE applying for citizenship.**
- **SELECTIVE SERVICE NUMBER.** Males born after 1960 who lived in the U.S. between the ages of 18 and 26 should have registered for military service. If you did not register, seek legal help before applying for citizenship. Call 1-888- to confirm your registration.

Include the following with your application:

- Completed application, INS Form N-400
- A photocopy of both sides of your green card
- Two identical 2" x 2" photos of yourself
- A check or money order for \$250, made payable to the INS