

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

I-589, Application for Asylum and for Withholding of Removal

Use this form to apply for asylum in the United States and for withholding of removal (formerly called "withholding of deportation"). You may file for asylum if you are physically in the United States and you are not a U.S. citizen.

E Form I-589 (PDF, 372 KB).

Instructions for I-589 (PDF, 295 KB)

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Where to File

If you are currently in immigration court: You must file your Form I-589 with the immigration court that has jurisdiction over your case.

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 Alabama Arkansas Colorado District of Columbia Florida Georgia Louisiana Maryland Mississippi New Mexico North Carolina Oklahoma Puerto Rico South Carolina Tennessee Texas U.S. Virgin Islands Utah Virginia West Virginia Wyoming Western Pennsylvania counties of Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Bedford, Blair, Bradford, Butler, Cambria, Clarion, Clearfield, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Fayette, Forest, Greene, Indiana, Jefferson, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Somerset, Venango, Warren, Washington, and Westmoreland 	Texas Service Center Attn: Asylum P.O. Box 851892 Mesquite, TX 75185-1892

If you live in	Then file your application with the
 Arizona California counties of Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, or Ventura Guam Hawaii Nevada counties of Clark, Esmerelda, Nye or Lincoln 	California Service Center P.O. Box 10881 Laguna Niguel, CA 92607-0881
 Alaska Idaho Illinois Indiana Iowa Kansas Kentucky Michigan Minnesota Missouri Montana Nebraska North Dakota Ohio Oregon South Dakota Washington Wisconsin Any county in California or Nevada that was not listed above 	Nebraska Service Center P.O. Box 87589 Lincoln, NE 68501-7589

If you live in	Then file your application with the
 Connecticut Delaware Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire New Jersey New York Rhode Island Vermont A county in Pennsylvania that was not listed above 	Vermont Service Center Attention: Asylum 75 Lower Welden St. St. Albans, VT 05479-0589

Don't forget to sign your form! We will reject any unsigned form.

Filing Fee

\$0 (Biometrics services may be required at no cost to you.)

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