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Webinar

Obtaining U Visa Certification from Judges in Protection Order, Family, Criminal and Other State Court Proceedings

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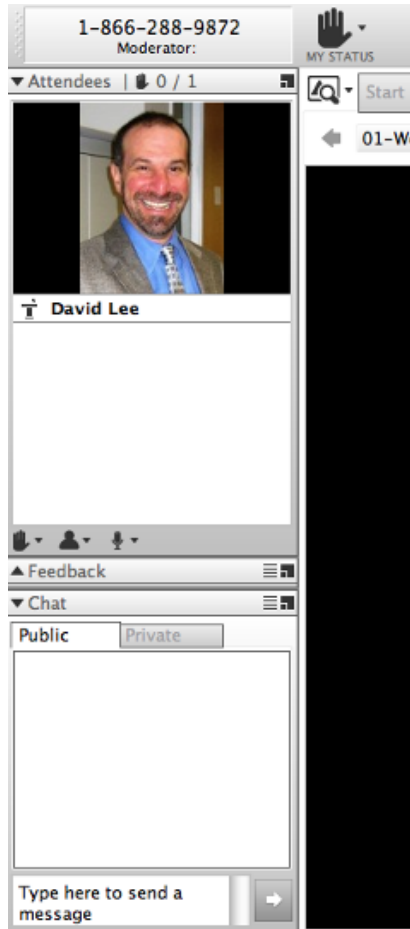
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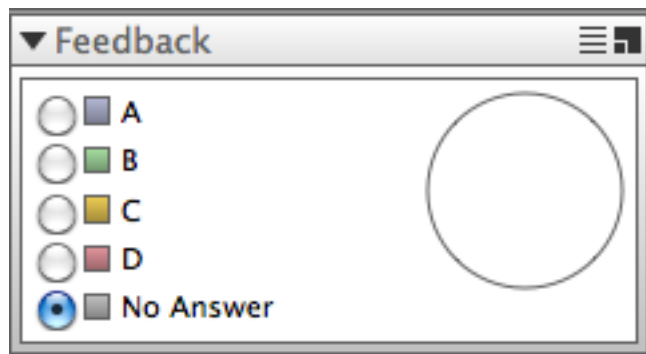
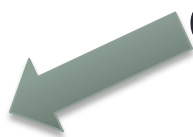
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- A. Lawyer
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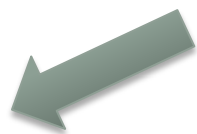
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Learning Objectives:

- Promote advocates and attorneys seeking U visa certification from Judges
- Understand when judges can sign U visas and how to approach judges for certification in family, civil and criminal court cases
- Identify the reasons why courts may not be signing U visa certifications
- Anticipate and overcome challenges
- Develop plan for approaching judges for certification

HAVE YOU WORKED ON A CASE IN WHICH A JUDGE WAS ASKED TO SIGN A U VISA CERTIFICATION?

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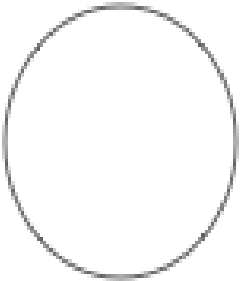


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Congress enacted VAWA self-petitioning (1994) and the T and U-visa (2000) to:

- Allow victims to report crimes and access to justice without fear of deportation
- Offer protection to crime victims helping with “detection” of criminal activity early in the case
- Increase prosecution of perpetrators of crimes against immigrant victims
- Enhance victim safety
- Protect children
- Keep communities safe
- Improve justice system- immigrant community relationships

Keeping Communities Safe: Reporting Crime Vs. Deportation

Concerns about immigration status result in undocumented immigrant crime victims being

- **Less likely to:**

- Report a crime
- Provide information to police & prosecutors
- Believe police & prosecutors want to help them
- Testify

- **More likely to:**

- Be susceptible to perpetrator's coercion and threats; particularly immigration related threats, coercion and abuse

Legal Immigration Status Options for Non-citizen crime victims and children

VAWA self-petition

- Abused spouses/children of US citizens and lawful permanent residents
- Abused parents of U.S. citizens over 21 years of age

VAWA cancellation of removal

- Abused spouses/children of US citizen and lawful permanent residents protection from deportation

Battered spouse waiver

- Abused spouses of US citizens with two-year conditional permanent residency

T visa : Victims of severe forms of human trafficking

Materials overview of remedies -

<http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/reference/additional-materials/materials-for-adjudicators-and-judges/tools-for-courts/benefits>

U visa

- Victims of criminal activity
- Has been, is being or is likely to be helpful in the detection, investigation, prosecution, conviction or sentencing
- Substantial harm from criminal activity

Special Immigrant Juvenile (SIJ)

- Juveniles that have been abused, battered, abandoned or neglected

Deferred Action (DACA)

- Deferred action for child arrivals including Dreamers

DHS Prosecutorial Discretion

- “low priority” for removal immigrants -- survivors, witnesses, parents, children, elderly, disabled
- Humanitarian detention release

U-Visa Criminal Activities (11/2011 data)

- Domestic violence 45.9%
- Rape, sexual assault, incest, trafficking 30.4%
- Felonious assault, murder, manslaughter 9.9%
- Kidnapping, being held hostage, unlawful criminal restraint, torture 8.47%
- Blackmail, extortion, perjury, obstruction of justice, attempts, conspiracy, solicitation 5.3%

Immigration Law: Responsibilities

- Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- Policies issued at the DHS level apply to all components
 - Blue Campaign (DHS Level)
 - Office of Civil Rights Civil Liberties (DHS Level)
 - Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)
 - Customs and Border Patrol (CBP)
 - U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)
 - VAWA /T/U Visa Unit of Vermont Service Center
- Department of Justice
 - Immigration Judges
 - Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA)

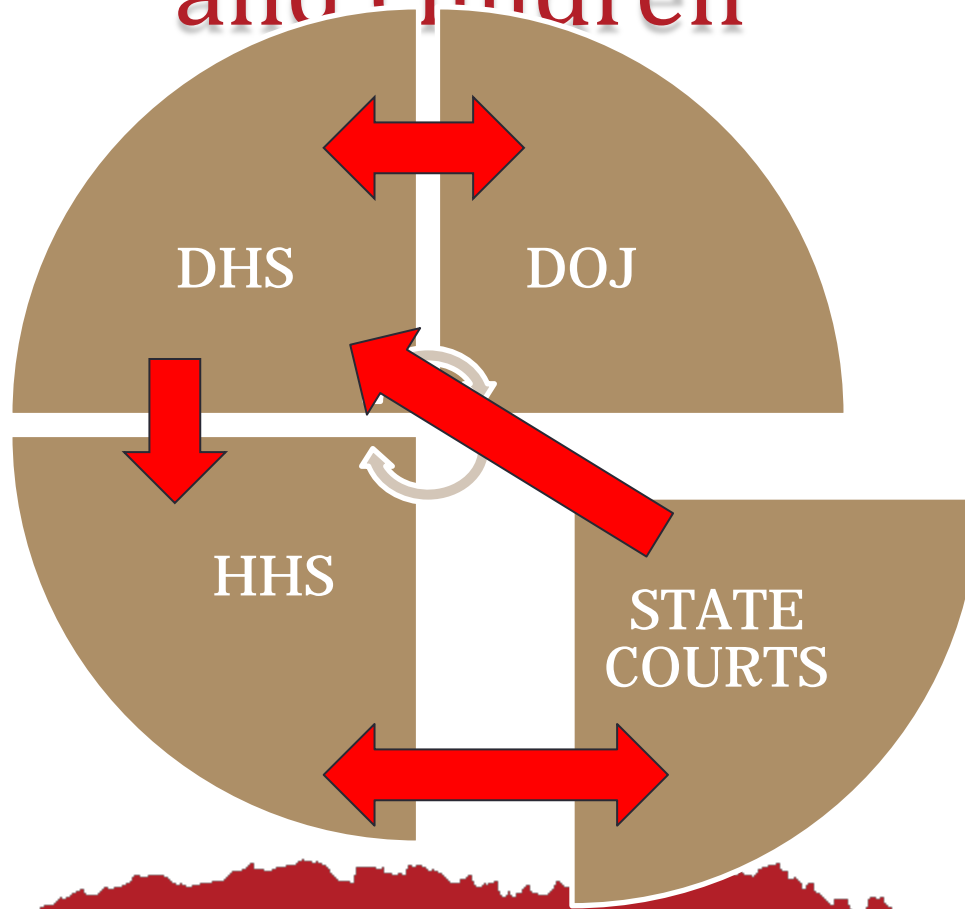
DHS' Dual Roles

- Multiple purposes of immigration law
 - Provide path to permanent residency & citizenship for
 - non-citizen crime victims
 - Children
 - SJIS – abused, battered, abandoned, neglected
 - DACA
 - Children included in victim's applications
 - Remove undocumented immigrants from the U.S.

DHS Video

<http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/reference/additional-materials/immigration/uvisa/webinars/crash-trafficking-psa/>

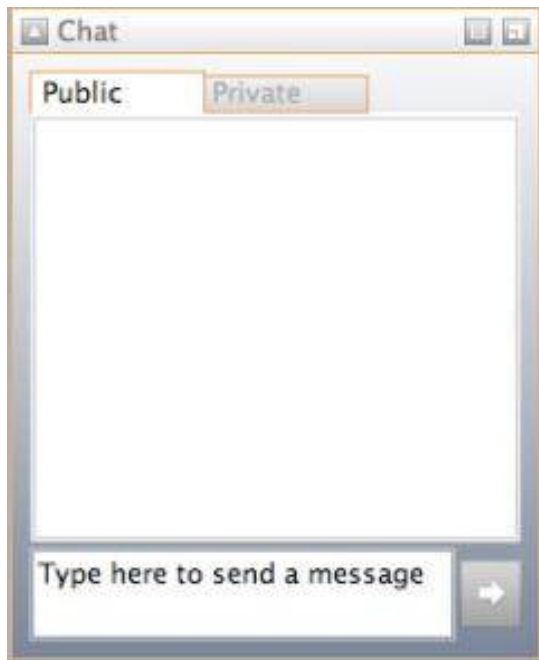
Relationships that benefits victims and children



Who can sign a U visa Certification?

- Any entity that detects, investigates or prosecutes criminal activity may sign a certification:
 - Based on *probable cause* = detection
 - Judges
 - EEOC, State and federal departments of Labor
 - Investigation or prosecution
 - Police and Prosecutors
 - Child or Adult Protective Services
 - Federal agencies (DHS, ATF, FBI)
 - Other state/local/federal government agencies who
 - detect, investigate, prosecute, convict, sentence

Why did Congress
include judges in the U
visa statute as
certifiers?



U Visa Certification from Judges Help Overcome Challenges



Certification problems

- No knowledge about the U visa
- No certification policies or practices
 - No policy is required
- Policies-practices of not certifying
- Deny certification for reasons that are contrary to DHS published positions and policies

Courts can be the “first responder” to provide language access for immigrant crime victims

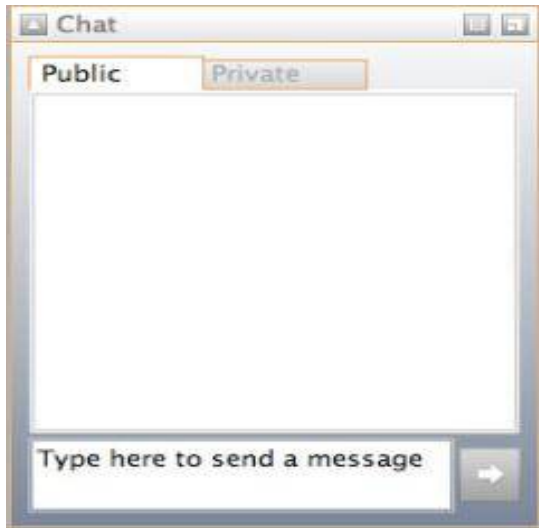
- National survey 2013 found that
 - Police used qualified interpreters = 29.4%
 - Police identified language spoken = 42.6%
 - Prosecutors use unqualified interpreters = 25.1%
 - Police spoke only to perpetrator
 - 10.7% of sexual assault cases
 - 8.1% of domestic violence cases
 - 4.8% of human trafficking cases

DOJ: “Dispensing justice fairly, efficiently, and accurately is a cornerstone of the judiciary”

- Includes meaningful access to the courts for limited English proficient persons
- Access to all court functions
 - Hearings, trials, motions, civil, criminal, family, protection order, clerks, filing, probation, parole, court ordered treatment programs
 - Providing interpreters at no cost to all persons involved in court proceedings
 - Includes court supervised personnel



How Do Courts Benefit From U Visa Certification?



Benefits to Courts of the U Visa and DHS Victim Protection Programs

- Tool that helps promote
 - Integrity of the justice system
 - Fair and just outcomes
 - Access to justice
- Accurate information about federal immigration law and policies promotes
 - fair administration of justice
- When victims access legal immigration status it improves court's options to
 - Issue orders help victims and children

Promoting Access to Justice With Immigrant Communities

- Courts benefit from building relationships with immigrant serving organizations (National Center for State Courts)
- Court as first responder to provide language access
 - DHS brochure distribution educates victims
- U Visa certification
 - builds trust in justice system

VAWA and U Visa Immigration Relief Provide

- Deportation: Protection from deportation shortly after filing.
- Immigration Benefits for Children:
 - Immigration benefits for children of VAWA self-petitioners' and U visa
 - VAWA cancellation children receive parole into US while file for visa
- Public Benefits: VAWA As qualified immigrants (\approx 3 months) ; U visa health care upon approval – Access to any state funded benefits varies by state
- Employment authorization: Currently 6-7 months after filing
- VAWA confidentiality: protections against the release of information and reliance on abuser provided information
- Lawful permanent residency
 - VAWA perpetrator: Citizen (no wait);
 - Lawful permanent resident (5 months)
 - U visa (3 years)

10,000 U Visa Cap Process

- Waitlist approvals
- Deferred action
- Work authorization

U Visa Certification By Judges

U-Visa Requirements

- Victim of a qualifying criminal activity
- Has been, is being, or is likely to be helpful in
 - Detection, investigation, prosecution, conviction or sentencing
- Possesses information about the crime
- Crime occurred in the U.S. or violated U.S. law
- Suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as a result of the victimization

Materials: U visa toolkit, Helpfulness Tool and Reference Guide -
<http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/reference/additional-materials/materials-for-adjudicators-and-judges/tools-for-courts/Judges-Toolkit.pdf>

U Visa Certification Form Requirements

- Immigrant was a victim of a listed criminal activity
- Occurred in the U.S. or violated U.S. law
- Victim has information
- Helpfulness
- NOT substantial harm

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- Domestic violence
 - Sexual assault
 - Rape
 - Incest
 - Prostitution
 - Torture
 - Female genital mutilation
 - Felonious assault
 - Manslaughter
 - Murder
- ▶ **Kidnapping**
 - ▶ **Abduction**
 - ▶ **Trafficking**
 - ▶ **Involuntary servitude**
 - ▶ **Slave trade**
 - ▶ **Being held hostage**
 - ▶ **Peonage**
 - ▶ **Fraud Foreign Labor Contracting**
- ▶ **False Imprisonment**
 - ▶ **Blackmail**
 - ▶ **Extortion**
 - ▶ **Witness tampering**
 - ▶ **Obstruction of justice**
 - ▶ **Perjury**
 - ▶ **Stalking**

Attempt, conspiracy or solicitation to commit any of these crimes any similar activity

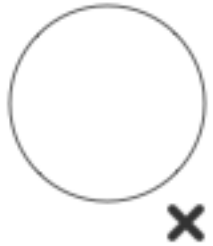
U Visa Helpfulness

- The immigrant has been, is being or is likely to be helpful in the investigation or prosecution of the criminal activity
- Victim has not, since the initiation of cooperation, refused or failed to provide information and assistance reasonably requested
- *Ongoing* requirement of cooperation
 - Exception if refusal to cooperate was not unreasonable

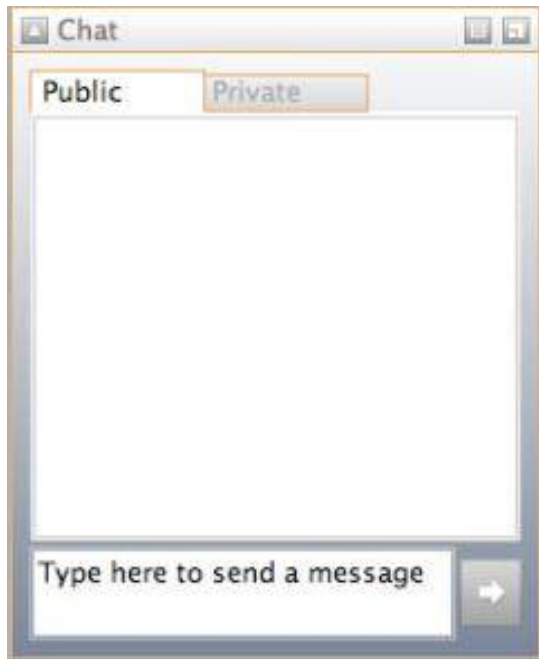
Helpfulness can be satisfied even when a survivor makes a police report, and no criminal charges are pursued by law enforcement.

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What facts might be present in a state family or criminal court case that would show helpfulness?



Helpfulness by the Regulations

- Statute and DHS Regulations state: has been helpful, is being helpful or is likely to be helpful in the
 - Detection, Investigation,
 - Prosecution, Conviction or
 - Sentencing

Helpfulness: Criminal Court

- Cooperating witness for whom prosecutors seek a criminal stay away as part of Bond
- Seeking a criminal protection order
- Witness before a Grand Jury
- Victim testified at pretrial motions, trial, sentencing, probation or parole hearings
- Serving as a witness in a prior prosecution or investigation
- Providing information at sentencing/victim impact statement
- Serving as a witness in a prior prosecution or investigation
- Providing restitution information
- Reporting Probation/Parole violation

Helpfulness: Family-Civil Court

- Seeking a Civil Protection Order
- Providing evidence of domestic violence or child abuse in a custody case
- Testifying in a child abuse, neglect or elder abuse case
- Providing information to child/elder abuse or neglect investigators
- Making a report or taking other action to enforce a protection order

Helpfulness: Law Enforcement

- Calling 911 to report a crime
- Providing a statement to the police
- Filing a police report
- Providing information to police at the crime scene
- Providing information to prosecutors
- Attending a line up to identify a perpetrator
- Allowing police to take or providing photographs
- Providing history/evidence of perpetrator's prior violence

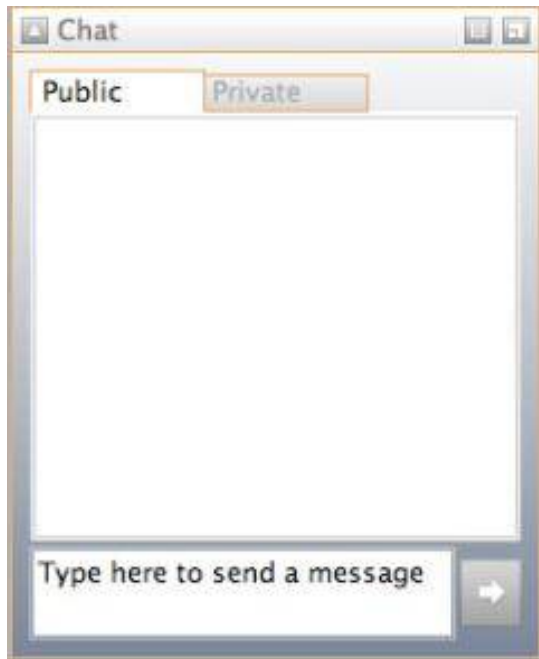
Helpfulness can be satisfied even if:

- Victim reports a crime and there is no further investigation
- Report is of a past crime, where victim did not know or feel safe to report at the time
- Perpetrator absconds or is subject to immigration removal
- Perpetrator is being prosecuted for a different crime
- Victim is not needed as a witness
- Victim is dead (indirect victim qualifies)
- Perpetrator is dead
- Victim has a criminal history
- Victim is subject to immigration enforcement
- Victim fully discloses story after better understanding rights, the U visa and meaningful language access

Court's Role

- Inform litigants about the U-visa
- Make findings about
 - the criminal activity,
 - injuries,
 - helpfulness
- Attach copies of court orders to the certification form
- Sign U-visa certifications for victim

In what types of state court cases might you seek certification from a judge?



Family-Civil Court Cases

- Protection order
- Custody
- Divorce
- Child abuse or neglect
- Probate-Guardianship

Criminal Court Cases

- Arraignment
- Probable Cause Determination
- Preliminary Hearing
- Grand Jury Proceedings
- Pre-trial Motions
- Conviction
- Sentencing

Discussion with Judge Gonzalez

- How might a victim bring a U visa certification request to
 - A family court judge
 - A criminal court judge

Law Enforcement Certification

Form I-918 Supplement B

OMB No. 1615-0104 Expires 08/31/2010
I-918 Supplement B

U Nonimmigrant Status Certification

Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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Part 1. Victim information.	For USCIS Use Only.
Family Name <input type="text"/> Given Name <input type="text"/> Middle Name <input type="text"/>	Returned <input type="text"/>
Other Names Used (Include maiden name/nickname) <input type="text"/>	Date <input type="text"/>
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) <input type="text"/> Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date <input type="text"/>
Part 2. Agency information.	Resubmitted <input type="text"/>
Name of Certifying Agency <input type="text"/>	Date <input type="text"/>
Name of Certifying Official <input type="text"/> Title and Division/Office of Certifying Official <input type="text"/>	Date <input type="text"/>
Name of Head of Certifying Agency <input type="text"/>	Reloc Rec'd <input type="text"/>
Agency Address - Street Number and Name <input type="text"/> Suite # <input type="text"/>	Date <input type="text"/>
City <input type="text"/> State/Province <input type="text"/> Zip/Postal Code <input type="text"/>	Remarks
Daytime Phone # (with area code and/or extension) <input type="text"/> Fax # (with area code) <input type="text"/>	
Agency Type <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local	
Case Status <input type="checkbox"/> On-going <input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="text"/>	
Certifying Agency Category <input type="checkbox"/> Judge <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecutor <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Case Number <input type="text"/> FBI # or SID # (if applicable) <input type="text"/>	
Part 3. Criminal acts.	
1. The applicant is a victim of criminal activity involving or similar to violations of one of the following Federal, State or local criminal offenses. (Check all that apply.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Abduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Female Genital Mutilation
<input type="checkbox"/> Abusive Sexual Contact	<input type="checkbox"/> Hostage
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackmail	<input type="checkbox"/> Incest
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence	<input type="checkbox"/> Involuntary Servitude
<input type="checkbox"/> Extortion	<input type="checkbox"/> Kidnapping
<input type="checkbox"/> False Imprisonment	<input type="checkbox"/> Manslaughter
<input type="checkbox"/> Felonious Assault	<input type="checkbox"/> Murder
<input type="checkbox"/> Attempt to commit any of the named crimes	<input type="checkbox"/> Conspiracy to commit any of the named crimes
<input type="checkbox"/> Obstruction of Justice	<input type="checkbox"/> Peonage
<input type="checkbox"/> Perjury	<input type="checkbox"/> Prostitution
<input type="checkbox"/> Rape	<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault
<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Exploitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation to commit any of the named crimes
<input type="checkbox"/> Slave Trade	<input type="checkbox"/> Torture
<input type="checkbox"/> Trafficking	<input type="checkbox"/> Unlawful Criminal Restraint
<input type="checkbox"/> Witness Tampering	<input type="checkbox"/> Related Crime(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: (If more space needed, attach separate sheet of paper.)	

Form I-918 Supplement B (08/31/07)

I-918 Supplement B, U Nonimmigrant Status Certification

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Part 1. Victim information.

Family Name Orloff	Given Name Leslye	Middle Name E
Other Names Used (Include maiden name/nickname)		
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) 08/28/1956	Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female	

Part 2. Agency information.

Name of Certifying Agency Washington, D.C.			
Name of Certifying Official	Title and Division/Office of Certifying Official Superior Court Judge.		
Name of Head of Certifying Agency Judge Lora Livingston			
Agency Address - Street Number and Name 555 Indiana Avenue NW			
City Washington	State/Province DC	Suite #	Zip/Postal Code 20005
Daytime Phone # (with area code and/or extension) 202-555-5555		Fax # (with area code) 202-555-5556	
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Remarks

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Part 3. Criminal acts. (Continued.)

2. Provide the date(s) on which the criminal activity occurred.

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

12/19/12

3. List the statutory citation(s) for the criminal activity being investigated or prosecuted, or that was investigated or prosecuted.

HRS sec. 709-906 Abuse of a Family or Household Member

4. Did the criminal activity occur in the United States, including Indian country and military installations, or the territories or possessions of the United States?

Yes No

a. Did the criminal activity violate a Federal extraterritorial jurisdiction statute?

Yes No

b. If "Yes," provide the statutory citation providing the authority for extraterritorial jurisdiction.

c. Where did the criminal activity occur?

Washington, DC

5. Briefly describe the criminal activity being investigated and/or prosecuted and the involvement of the individual named in Part 1. Attach copies of all relevant reports and findings.

I have probable cause to believe Husband strangled Mrs. Orloff during a domestic dispute and has been following her and tracking her movements

6. Provide a description of any known or documented injury to the victim. Attach copies of all relevant reports and findings.

As a result of Mrs. Orloff being assaulted and strangled she suffered injuries to her neck and . (attached are copies of photographs submitted to the court and the protection order I issued)

Part 4. Helpfulness of the victim.

The victim (or parent, guardian or next friend, if the victim is under the age of 16, incompetent or incapacitated.):

1. Possesses information concerning the criminal activity listed in Part 3.

Yes No

2. Has been, is being or is likely to be helpful in the investigation and/or prosecution of the criminal activity detailed above. (Attach an explanation briefly detailing the assistance the victim has provided)

Yes No

3. Has not been requested to provide further assistance in the investigation and/or prosecution. (Example: prosecution is barred by the statute of limitation.) (Attach an explanation.)

Yes No

4. Has unreasonably refused to provide assistance in a criminal investigation and/or prosecution of the crime detailed above. (Attach an explanation.)

Yes No



Part 4. Helpfulness of the victim. (Continued.)

5. Other, please specify.

Mrs. Orloff called 911 for help during a domestic dispute. Upon arrival she provided information about the incident to the officer on scene and allowed the officer to take photographs of the injury to her neck. She came to court seeking a protection order, which was granted.

Part 5. Family members implicated in criminal activity.

1. Are any of the victim's family members believed to have been involved in the criminal activity of which he or she is a victim? Yes No

2. If "Yes," list relative(s) and criminal involvement. (Attach extra reports or extra sheet(s) of paper if necessary.)

Full Name	Relationship	Involvement
William Orloff	Husband	Defendant

Based on Probable Cause and my issuance of a protection order

Part 6. Certification.

I am the head of the agency listed **Part 2** or I am the person in the agency who has been specifically designated by the head of the agency to issue U nonimmigrant status certification on behalf of the agency. ~~Based upon investigation~~ Based upon investigation of the facts, I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the individual noted in **Part 1** is or has been a victim of one or more of the crimes listed **Part 3**. I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I have made, and will make no promises regarding the above victim's ability to obtain a visa from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, based upon this certification. I further certify that if the victim unreasonably refuses to assist in the investigation or prosecution of the qualifying criminal activity of which he/she is a victim, I will notify USCIS.

Signature of Certifying Official Identified in Part 2.

Judge Lora Livingston

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

January, 2014



Certifying judges will need to amend form

- Judges may amend the language of the form to accurately reflect the basis upon which the judge is signing the certification.
 - Probable cause, findings, rulings
 - Include the type of proceeding and
 - If orders were issued attach a copy of the order
- Judges can should amend current form --examples:
 - “Based upon my having probable cause I certify”
 - “Based upon my issuance of a civil protection order ...I certify”
 - “Based on my having presided over the criminal case ... I certify”
 - “Based upon my findings in a [custody/divorce] case of [domestic violence/child abuse] ... I certify”

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Video 2:
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The U-visa Application Process

- Certification
- Immigrant completes and submits application
 - Affidavit
 - Proof of substantial harm
 - Fingerprints
- Decision from DHS within about 6-7 months

U-visa Certification Toolkit for Judges

- What is the Role of Judges in U-visa Certifications?
- U-visa Quick Reference Guide for Judges
- U-visa Certification: Introduction
- U-visa Flowchart
- Judges and the U-visa Certification Requirement
- Statutory and Regulatory Background
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Redacted U-visa Certification
- Sample Victim Information Flyer
- Resource List
- Sample Motion for Certification
- Sample Declaration for Motion for Certification
- Glossary
- Blank U-visa Certification Form and Instructions
- U-visa News Articles

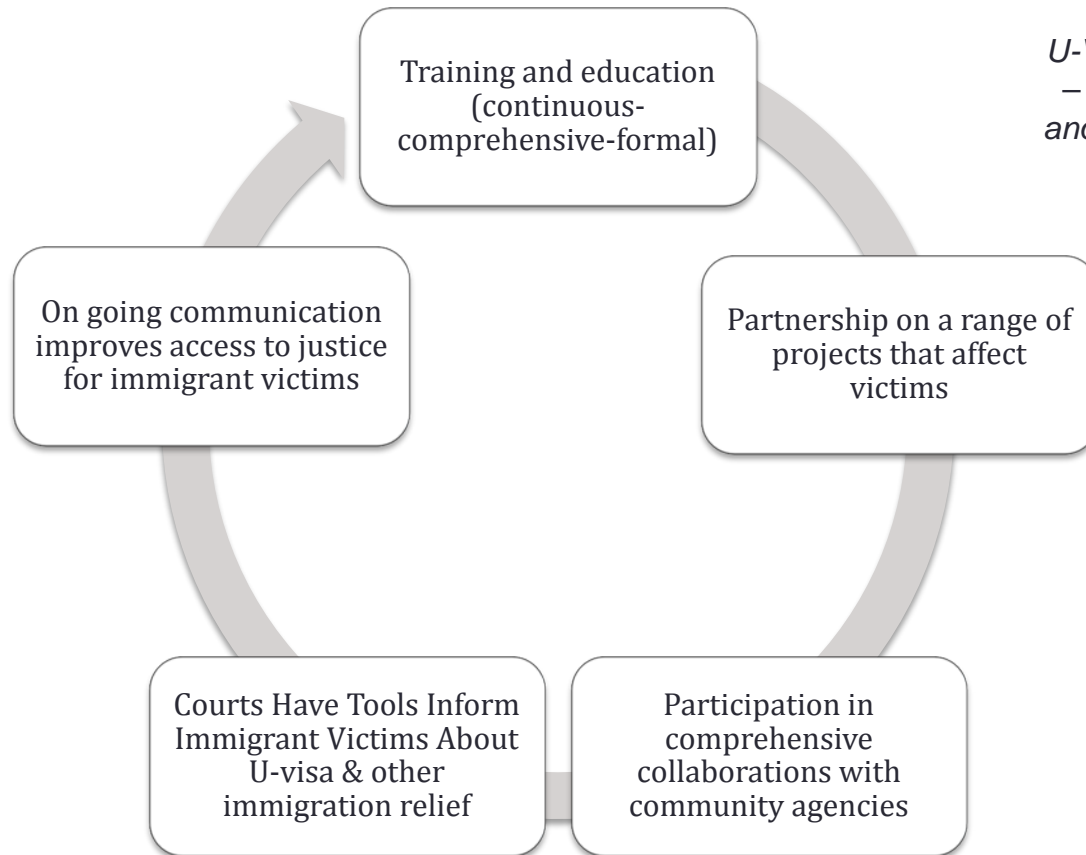
Putting Relationships with Courts Into Practice

National Center for State Courts

- Promote relationships between courts and community based immigrant serving organizations
- Improves immigrant crime victim --
 - Access to justice
 - Interpretation services



Relationships Result in U-Visa Certification



*U-Visas Presentation – IFVC
– 2010 – Hass & Monahan
and National Center for State
Courts*



QUESTIONS

Technical Assistance

- PowerPoint and materials from this training
 - www.niwap.org/go/Judges-UVisaWebinar
- Technical Assistance for judges, courts, advocates and attorneys
 - (202) 274-4457 or niwap@wcl.american.edu
- DHS Contact Information
 - Scott Whelan (202) 272-4457

Technical Assistance for Courts

- State Justice Institute Funded Materials for State Court Judges on Immigrant Children and Crime Victims
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- Web Library NIWAP
 - <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu>
 - Bench Cards
 - DHS Policies, Brochures, Training Materials
 - U Visa Certification Toolkit for Judges and Magistrates
 - Tools Describing DHS enforcement priorities, ability to sponsor children, access to health care and benefits – BY IMMIGRATION STATUS
 - Legal and Social Science Bibliographies
 - DHS policies on securing attendance at state court proceedings of immigrant parents in DHS detention

Thank you!