

USCIS ANNOUNCES NEW FILING LOCATIONS FOR U VISA AND ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS FORMS

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Starting June 29, 2020 USCIS is changing filing locations for U visa forms and Adjustment of Status Forms for U visa holders.¹ The term that USCIS uses for lawful permanent residency is “adjustment of status”. USCIS will allow for a *30-day grace period* for petitioners to file their U visa and Adjustment of Status forms, and all related forms, at the incorrect service center. *The grace period will run through July 30.* After that date, USCIS may reject any Form I-918, Form I-918A, Form I-918B, Form I-485, and all related forms sent to the incorrect service center.

[Update²] *Please note:* Petitioners can file their I-765 Work Authorization and I-192 Advanced Permission to Enter as a Nonimmigrant applications with their U visa form concurrently. When filing these forms concurrently petitioner victims living in Green States are required to file these application forms at the USCIS Nebraska Service Center (NSC) and petitioners living in Blue States must file these application forms at the USCIS Vermont Service Center (VSC).

Although USCIS has listed the Vermont Service Center as the location to file all I-765 work authorization forms and I-192 forms, *new policies apply based on the address of the petitioner.* Thus, if petitioners are filing for work authorization (I-765) and/or the I-192 advanced permission to enter form concurrently with their U visa application (I-918), and the victim resides in one of the green states, petitioners should file all forms together at the NSC.

Green States: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Texas, Washington, or Wyoming file at **Nebraska Service Center (NSC)**.

Blue States: Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Guam, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Northern Mariana Islands, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, West Virginia, or Wisconsin file at Vermont Service Center (VSC).

¹ This information is current as of today, July 20, 2020. For best practice, visit <https://www.uscis.gov/i-918> and <https://www.uscis.gov/i-485-addresses> for the most updated information regarding the U visa form, instructions, and where to file.

² This updated information is current as of today, September 21, 2020. For best practice, visit <https://www.uscis.gov/i-192> and <https://www.uscis.gov/i-765> for the most current information.

New Filing Location for U visa forms:

Petitioners filing for U visas and related U visa forms and residing in the **Green States** must file their U visa, and U visa related Supplement A and Supplement B forms at **NSC**. The filing location address is shown here directly below.

USCIS Nebraska Service Center

For U.S. Postal Service (USPS):

USCIS Nebraska Service Center
Attn: I-918
PO Box 87918
Lincoln, NE 68501-7918

For FedEx, UPS, and DHL deliveries:
USCIS Nebraska Service Center
Attn: I-918
850 'S' Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Petitioners filing for U visas and related U visa forms and residing in the Blue States must file their U visa, and U visa related Supplement A and Supplement B forms at the VSC. The filing location address is shown here directly below.

USCIS Vermont Service Center

USCIS Vermont Service Center
Attn: I-918
75 Lower Welden Street
St. Albans, VT 05479-0001

New filing location for Adjustment of Status based on U visa application:

Petitioners filing for Adjustment of Status as a U visa holder and residing in the **Green States** must file their Adjustment of Status applications and copies of: (Form I-797C) Notice of Action for approval of your U nonimmigrant status, copy of (Form I-94) Arrival-Departure Record, and a copy of all pages of your passport with a U nonimmigrant visa at the **NSC**. The filing address is shown here directly below.

USCIS Nebraska Service Center

For U.S. Postal Service (USPS):

USCIS
PO Box 87526
Lincoln, NE 68501-7526

For FedEx, UPS, and DHL deliveries:

USCIS
Attn: 485U VAWA
850 S Street
Lincoln, NE 68508-1225

Petitioners filing for Adjustment of Status as a U visa holder and residing in the Blue States must file their Adjustment of Status applications and copies of: (Form I-797C) Notice of Action for approval of your U nonimmigrant status, copy of (Form I-94) Arrival-Departure Record, and a copy of all pages of your passport with a U nonimmigrant visa at the VSC. The filing address is shown here directly below.

USCIS Vermont Service Center

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Vermont Service Center

Attn: 484U VAWA
75 Lower Welden Street
St. Albans, VT 05479-0001