

# T-VISA APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Before filing for the T visa, please be sure to review the T Visa regulations <u>8 CFR 214.11</u> and the T Visa Waiver regulations <u>8 CFR 212.16</u>. For further guidance from Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on the T Visa, please see the DHS' <u>Preamble</u> of the release of the 2017 T Visa regulations.

#### **PRINCIPAL**

- ☐ USCIS Forms (Download most recent forms on <a href="www.USCIS.gov">www.USCIS.gov</a>.)
  - o G-28 Notice of Entry of Appearance As Attorney
  - o I-912 Application for Fee Waiver if applying for waiver of inadmissibility using Form I-192
    - Derivatives should be included in one fee waiver for derivative Form I-192 and derivative Form I-765
  - I-914 Application for T Nonimmigrant Status (Review <u>Instructions for Application for T Nonimmigrant Status</u>)
  - o Proof of Cooperation with Law Enforcement (One of the following):
    - Attorney Declaration documenting reporting and request for I-914 Supplement B
      (Review Practice Advisory for LEA reporting)
    - I-914, Supplement B Law Enforcement Declaration (Not required)
    - Continued Presence (Not Required)
  - o I-192 Application for Advance Permission to Enter as a Nonimmigrant for individuals who may be inadmissible (Waiver of Inadmissibility pursuant to INA 212 (d)(13 & (d)(3))
    - <u>I-192 Attachment</u> (if needed)
    - See T nonimmigrant status waiver regulations at 8 CFR 212.16
- ☐ Supporting Documentation
  - o <u>Cover Letter</u> Establishing the criteria for T Status:
    - The applicant is a victim of severe form of trafficking in persons
    - The applicant is physically present in the US on account of trafficking
    - The applicant would suffer extreme hardship involving unusual and severe harm if he or she were removed from the US
      - Address at least 3 factors listed at 8 CFR 214.11(i)(2)
  - o Declaration of Applicant
  - o Passport (If none, request for waiver in Form I-192)
- ☐ Optional Evidence\*
  - o Supporting Declaration from Case Manager
  - Trafficking in Persons Country Reports (Department of State)
  - Human Rights Reports (Department of State)

\*Not necessary to include additional evidence, but if included make sure all evidence is relevant and consistent with applicant's declaration.

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#### **DERIVATIVES**

#### □ USCIS Forms

- G-28 for each derivative
- o I-914 Supplement A, Application for Family Member of T-1 Recipient
  - Relationship (Select one box in either Part A or Part B.)
- o I-765 Employment Authorization (If derivative is currently present in the US)
  - File under category (c)(25)
  - Note: Derivatives outside the country must wait until they have been admitted into the U.S. before filing for their employment authorization.
- o I-192 Application for Advance Permission to Enter as a Nonimmigrant for individuals who may be inadmissible (Waiver of Inadmissibility pursuant to <a href="INA 212(d)(3)">INA 212(d)(3)</a>, if needed)

### □ Supporting Documentation

- Evidence of relationship of each family member to the principal applicant (one of the following):
  - Birth Certificate
    - Translated into English and accompanied by translator's certification
  - Marriage Certificate
    - Translated into English and accompanied by translator's certification

## **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS**

If you have further questions, please contact CAST's Technical Assistance Hotline at technical assistance@castla.org.

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