

## ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER LEGAL OUTREACH

### **USCIS TO ELIMINATE FEE WAIVERS AND INCREASE FEES FOR BENEFITS APPLICATIONS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2, 2020**

USCIS has published a final rule for upcoming fee changes. The 576 page rule can be found at <https://s3.amazonaws.com/public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2020-16389.pdf>

Most fee waivers will be eliminated except for those required by law. So, applicants who apply for benefits based on Special Immigrant Juvenile, T, U or under VAWA are able to apply for a fee waiver. All other fee waivers will be eliminated.

This final rule is effective Oct. 2, 2020. Any application, petition, or request postmarked on or after this date must include payment of the new, correct fees established by this final rule.

The following increases/changes are of specific interest:

1. N-400 Applications for Naturalization will increase from \$725 to \$1,200 per application.
2. N-336 Request for a Hearing on a Decision in Naturalization Proceedings (Appeal of N-400 Denial) will increase from \$700 to \$1735.
3. I-192 Application for Advance Permission to Enter as Non-Immigrant will increase from \$585 to \$1400 for derivatives; \$930 to \$1400 for principal non-immigrant
4. I-485 Application to Register Permanent Resident or Adjust Status – derivatives application up from \$370 to \$750 per derivative application
5. I-601A Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver up from \$630 to \$960
6. I-589 Application for Asylum up from FREE to \$50
7. I-765 Application for Employment Authorization (Non-DACA) up from \$410 to \$550 plus Biometrics Fee
8. Biometrics Fee (Non-DACA) From \$85 down to \$30.

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