

Immigration Update

July 2007

USCIS Raises Filing Fees as of July 30, 2007

Effective as of July 30, 2007, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will increase fees for the majority of their petitions and applications. This will mean an increase in the filing fees for nonimmigrant visa petitions (such as H-1B and L-1) as well as permanent residency (“green card”) applications.

Please note that while the filing fees for these applications will increase, supplemental fees such as the \$1500 ACWIA Fee (applicable for H-1B petitions), \$500 Anti-Fraud Fee (for L-1 and H-1B petitions) and Premium Processing fee of \$1000 will not be affected.

Listed below are some of the most commonly filed petitions and the specific fee increases for those petitions. This fee increase applies only to petitions and applications filed after July 29, 2007. If you have questions on the impact of the fee increase on specific cases, please contact our office.

FORM

I-129 Nonimmigrant Petition

I-140 Immigrant Petition

I-130 Relative Petition

I-485 Application to Adjust Status

I-765 Application for Employment Authorization

I-131 Application for Travel Authorization

N-400 Application for Naturalization

PETITION TYPE

H-1B, L-1, H-3, O-1, etc.

Employment-based petition for permanent residency

Family-based petition for permanent residency

Application to Adjust Status to permanent resident

Application for EAD for L-2/E-2 spouses,

Adjustment of Status applicants, F-1 student OPT

Application for Advance Parole, Re-Entry Permit

Application for U.S. Citizenship

NEW FEE

\$320 (increased from \$190)

\$475 (increased from \$195)

\$355 (increased from \$190)

\$930* (increased from \$325)

**This fee includes the required fees for work and travel authorizations associated with the filing.*

\$340 (increased from \$180)

\$305 (increased from \$170)

\$675 (increased from \$330)

The complete new USCIS Fee Schedule can be found at: <http://www.uscis.gov/files/nativedocuments/FinalUSCISFeeSchedule052907.pdf>

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