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PUBLIC INQUIRY BY EMAIL

To increase efficiency and to make it easier for the public to contact the Chicago Asylum Office, we have instituted a public mailbox. Inquiries may be made to the office through this public mailbox. You can make inquiries on pending cases, ask questions on procedural matters, or follow-up on correspondence.

The public inquiry mailbox email address is: CHICAGO.ASYLUM@USCIS.DHS.GOV

Due to the nature of email and the requirements to maintain a record of proceedings, no filings or changes of address can be sent via email.

To maintain confidentiality of the applicant, we will not respond to unknown email addresses by email. We will send written correspondence to the last known address of the applicant in the file.

Attorneys and accredited representatives may register their email address with the office. The register will be updated regularly. When an email is received from a registered address and there is a G-28 Notice of Appearance in the file, we will respond by email. If there is no registration, but a G-28 is on file, we will respond by written correspondence.

We look forward to serving you more efficiently!

Authorization to Response to Status Inquiry Request via E-mail

I authorize U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Chicago Asylum Office, to disclose information via e-mail to my registered email address (es) concerning the case status of individuals with applications pending before the Chicago Asylum Office, for whom I have entered my appearance through the submission of a G-28 Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative. I understand that this document does not substitute for the submission of a G-28.

I wish to register the following email address (es) with the Chicago Asylum Office:

Name of Attorney / Representative: _____

Name of Law Firm / Organization: _____

Complete Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Signature of Attorney / Representative: _____

Date: _____

*Attorneys/Representatives need not wait to receive confirmation of their email authorization before sending an email inquiry.