

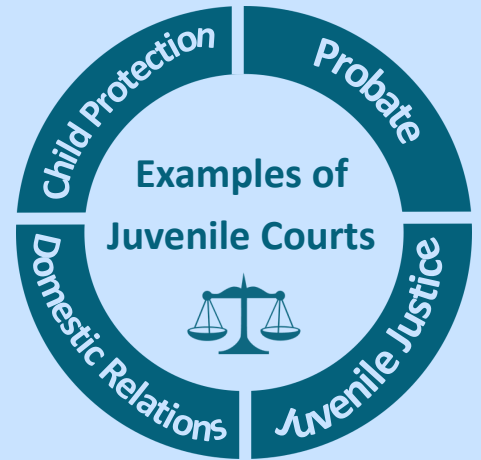
Special Immigrant Juvenile Status:

Protection for abused, abandoned and neglected children

OBTAIN SIJS Predicate Order from a State Court

A Juvenile Court Must:

- 1 • Make a custody determination regarding the child
- Find that reunification with one or both of the child's parents is not viable due to abuse, neglect, abandonment, or a similar basis under state law
- Find that it would not be in the child's best interest to be returned to their country of origin



FILE SIJS Petition with USCIS



United States Citizenship & Immigration Services

APPLY for Adjustment of Status (green card)

*This process can take many years due to visa backlogs.



If you are interested in learning more about representing immigrant children for this form of immigration relief, please contact Hillary Richardson at hrichardson@heartlandalliance.org

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