UPDATED TRENDS IN AFFIRMATIVE FILINGS BEFORE USCIS

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ACTIVE POLICIES AT USCIS AFFECTING ALL APPLICATIONS

- February 2025 NTA Policy
- September 2025 Interpreter Policy
- October 2025 Biometrics Collection Alert
- May 2026 Adjustment of Status Policy Memo
- August 2026 RFE/NOID Alert
- September 2026 Public Charge

ACTIVE POLICIES AT USCIS AFFECTING HUMANITARIAN APPLICATIONS

- Special Immigrant Juvenile Status Updates
  - Deferred Action;
  - “SIJS Fraud” Letter; and
  - Adjustment of Status
- Violence Against Women Act Updates
  - Lozano cases nationwide;
  - Increase in use of interviews; and
  - Delays in work permit renewals
- T & U Visa Updates
  - BFD denials and processing times; and
  - Delays in adjudication for T Visas

BOARD OF IMMIGRATION APPEALS UPDATES

- *Matter of Delcarmen-Lara* (2026)
  - Definition of “departure”
- *Matter of L. Ramirez* (2026)
  - U Visas

SUPREME COURT CASES TO WATCH

Q&A

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