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601 Waiver checklist of documents

- Birth Certificates (with translation, if not in English):
 - Spouses
 - Children
 - Parents (if applicable)
- All current & previous Marriage Certificates and Divorce Decrees (with translation, if necessary)
- Passport Photos:
 - 2 of Petitioner
 - 2 of Beneficiary
- Other proof of US Citizenship (Citizenship Certificate, Passport)
- Copies of all pages of all Passports, including visas and I-94 card (front and back)
- Past 3 years of Income Tax Returns for Spouses
 - Or a statement explaining why you did not file taxes
 - 3 recent pay stubs
 - Employment Verification letters
- Copies of all previous applications and approval notices for USCIS and/or Embassy applications
- Criminal convictions and arrest records (if any) of Spouses
- Copies of previous Removals, Work Authorization Cards and Immigration Applications (if any)
- Medical/Psychological records showing extreme hardship of qualifying spouse
- Documents showing extreme country conditions regarding employment, health care, education and separation from family
- Statement from qualifying spouse describing hardship to self, children and other family members or business
- Statement from immigrant stating why he/she is deserving of a visa to enter the U.S.
- Letters from friends and family describing the extreme hardship and good qualities of spouses

- Proof of good faith marriage (the more the better!):
 - Birth certificate of children
 - Photos of wedding and shared life
 - Tax returns filed jointly
 - Joint bank account
 - Joint credit card account
 - Joint savings account
 - Real estate held jointly as husband and wife
 - Automobiles held jointly as husband and wife
 - Lease to apartment held jointly as husband and wife
 - Health insurance policies held jointly as husband and wife
 - Automobile insurance policies held jointly as husband and wife
 - Life insurance policies with spouse as beneficiary
 - Utility bills with both names on bill
 - Wills
 - Correspondence to both of you at the same address from friends and family

SAMPLE EMPLOYMENT VERIFICATION LETTER
(PLEASE TRANSFER TO YOUR LETTERHEAD AND NOTARIZE)

Re: Employment Verification for _____

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to verify that I currently employ (Employee) as a _____. He has worked for this company since _____. His wage is _____ per hour. He works for me on average _____ hours per (week/month.). His year to date total gross wages earned is _____.

I appreciate your assistance in this matter, and if I may be of further service, please contact me at the above telephone number from Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

I swear under the laws of the United States and under penalty of perjury that the above Employment Verification Letter is true and correct.

Date: _____

By: _____
Name and Title

Notary Seal:

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You have been referred to us by our clients because you have first hand knowledge regarding their marriage and their hardship if they cannot receive a waiver for violating the immigration laws. You also know that they are deserving of the waiver.

Please find enclosed a sample affidavit for you to use. The first paragraph introduces yourself and explains your relationship to our clients.

The second paragraph talks about how great their family is and about the positive aspects of their character and family support.

The third paragraph talks about the hardship to the US Citizen or Permanent Resident spouse.

The fourth paragraph asks the USCIS to approve of the I-601 application.

Please sign this declaration before a notary.

Thank you for your valuable assistance in this matter. I remain,

Very Truly Yours,

Mark C. Daly

SAMPLE DECLARATION FOR THE I-601 WAIVER

Declaration of _____
Address
Telephone

To: United States Citizenship and Immigration Service

I, _____ declare,

I am a resident/citizen/tourist of the United States and a friend of _____ (Spouse 1) and _____ (Spouse 2). I know them from work/church/neighbor. I work as an _____. I have known _____ for ____ years and his spouse _____ for _____. I also know their children _____. We (went to parties and reunions together, work together, etc.)

_____ is a good, kind and caring person. His relationship with _____ is very strong; he is totally committed. He (describe what you have seen him do for the family and others in the community.) They (things they do together). I know that _____ violated immigration laws when (state what happened) but I believe (state your opinion of his good moral character).

_____ will suffer an extreme hardship because (list health, psychological, economic, family ties, educational and problems in the foreign country that will be much worse than a "normal" person will suffer if the waiver is not granted)

Because _____ is a good person and _____ will suffer an extreme hardship if the waiver is not approved, please approve of this waiver.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES THAT THE FOREGOING DECLARATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Executed of this ___ day of ____, 20___, at _____, .

Name

/NOTARY SEAL