

Citizenship Fair

Saturday, November 7th, 2009

11am – 3pm

**McGeorge School of Law
Student Center
3200 Fifth Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95817**

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- **Receive Free Legal Help Completing and Filing Your Naturalization Application (N-400 and N-600)**
- **Receive Free Help with Applying for a Fee Waiver to apply for Naturalization, if you qualify**
- **Receive classes on the new Civics Naturalization Examination**
- **Experience a Mock Naturalization Interview**

With Citizenship:

- You can vote!
- You could bring your children and spouse more quickly to the US and sponsor your parents, brothers, sisters and married children!
- You may choose to apply for government jobs!
- You will gain more security to stay in the country!
- You will access greater economic rights, potentially including healthcare.

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Refreshments will be provided. For further information, call 916.739.7138 or email McGeorgeEvents@pacific.edu

You may be eligible to become a U.S. Citizen if:

- You are at least 18 years of age and
- You have been a lawful permanent resident (LRP)
 - For at least 5 years; or
 - For 3 years if you have been married to a US citizen for 3 years with whom you still live (waiver of living together requirement may be available for victims of domestic violence); or
 - You have qualifying military service; and
- You have continuously resided in the US for the past 5 years with no single absence longer than 6 months; and
- You have been physically present in the United States _ of the 5 or 3 years as a permanent resident; and
- You have resided in the USCIS district in which you are applying for citizenship for at least 3 months; and
- You speak, read and write basic English. Seniors are NOT exempt except:
- If age 55 and older and an LRR for 15 years or more (at filing time)
- If age 50 or older and an LPR for 20 years (at filing time)
- If a physical or development disability lasting at least one year impairs learning English. Extra form and doctor explanation required.
- You have good moral character; and
- You are attached to the principles of the U.S. Constitution (generally requires a written and oral oath, with limited religious exemption).

Fee Waiver

Depending on your household income and assets, you may qualify for a waiver of the filing fees. If you want consideration of whether you are eligible for the fee waiver, please bring the following:

- 2008 Federal Income Tax Return and;
- Recent pay statement of all working members of household; or
- Evidence of current public benefits received such as SSI, Food Stamps or Cash Aid.

Documents to Bring to the Citizenship Fair

- Your green card
- Copy of your spouse's US birth certificate or citizenship certificate (if applicable)
- All divorce or death certificates for you and your spouse's prior marriages (if applicable)
- Your social security card
- Your foreign passport, if applicable
- 2 passport style photographs
- Filing fee: 2 personal checks for \$595 and \$80 or fee waiver documents (see below)
- If married to a U.S. citizen, a copy of your marriage certificate
- If male who lived in the US from the ages of 18-26, evidence of Selective Service registration (waiver may be available)
- Birth certificates and green cards of all children (if applicable)
- Documentation of all arrests and/or convictions, including reasons for the arrest, date, place, and outcome/disposition. Bring ALL arrest and court documents, even if charges were dropped.

Information to Bring

- List of all employers or schools for the past five years, including addresses and dates employed
- List of all addresses (including zip code) where you have lived for the past five years
- List of all trips outside the U.S. during the last five years, including dates of each exit and reentry.
- Information about all current and former spouses, and all children, including full legal name, date of birth, social security number, alien number, date and place of naturalization, and current address
- Information about your own and your spouse's current and prior marriages, including date of marriage, date marriage ended, and how marriage ended (divorce/death/annulment)