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To be eligible for a provisional unlawful presence waiver (601A) , you must meet ALL of the following conditions:

- 1. Be physically present in the United States to file your application and provide biometrics.
- 2. Be 17 years of age or older.
- 3. Be in the process of obtaining your immigrant visa and have an immigrant visa case pending with Department of State (DOS) because you: Are the principal beneficiary of an approved Form I-130, Petition for Alien Relative; an approved Form I-140, Petition for Alien Worker; or an approved Form I-360, Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant who has paid the immigrant visa processing fee; Have been selected by DOS to participate in the Diversity Visa (DV) Program (that is, you are a DV Program selectee); Are the spouse or child of a principal beneficiary of an approved immigrant visa petition who has paid the immigrant visa processing fee to DOS; or Are the spouse or child of a DV Program selectee (that is, you are a DV Program derivative)
- 4. Be able to demonstrate that refusal of your admission to the United States will cause extreme hardship to your U.S. citizen or Legal Permanent Resident spouse or parent.
- 5. Believe you are or will be inadmissible only because of a period of unlawful presence in the United States that was: More than 180 days, but less than 1 year, during a single stay (INA section 212(a)(9)(B)(i)(I)); or 1 year or more during a single stay (INA section 212(a)(9)(B)(i)(I)).