



## LIGHTHOUSE IMMIGRANT ADVOCATES

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### Mailing Instructions

#### Defensive:

**If you are in removal proceedings, you will be filing defensively. This means you must file your application with EOIR, not USCIS. Follow these instructions to send your application defensively.\***

1. Send your original I-589 to this address:
  - a. Detroit Immigration Court  
P.V. McNamara Federal Building  
477 Michigan Avenue, Suite 440  
Detroit, MI 48226

**AND**

2. Send a copy of the entire application to this address:
  - a. Office of the Principal Legal Advisor  
Rosa Parks Federal Building  
333 Mt. Elliott Street  
2nd Floor  
Detroit, MI 48207

**AND**

3. Send a copy of the *first 3 pages* only to this address:
  - a. USCIS Nebraska Service Center  
Defensive Asylum Application with Immigration Court  
P.O. Box 87589  
Lincoln, NE 68501-7589

\*You can check whether or not you are in removal proceedings at <https://acis.eoir.justice.gov/en/> by entering your A-Number if you have one (if you do not have an a-number, you are not in removal proceedings). If the page says “No case found for this A-Number,” then you are not in removal proceedings. If the page provides information about future court dates, you are in removal proceedings.

#### Affirmative:

**If you are not in removal proceedings, you will be filing affirmatively. This means you will file your application with USCIS. Follow these instructions to send your application affirmatively.**

1. If you use the United States Postal Service (USPS), send the entire application to this address:
  - a. USCIS  
Attn: I-589  
P.O. Box 6893  
Chicago, IL 60680

**OR**

2. If you use FedEx, UPS, or DHL, send the entire application to this address:
  - a. USCIS  
Attn: I-589 (Box 6893)  
131 S. Dearborn St., 3rd Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603-5517

Note: These instructions only apply if you live in Michigan and/or your court proceedings are located in Michigan. For directions applicable to all other states or for more information, please visit <https://www.uscis.gov/i-589>.

