

# N-600 Application for Certificate of Citizenship

You are closer to getting your Certificate of Citizenship. While you wait, please keep the following in mind.

### **Processing Times**

Check the USCIS website <u>here</u> to see how long it is taking USCIS to process your N-600.

#### **Check Your Case Status**

You can check your case status on the USCIS website <u>here</u>. You will need to input the receipt number you received from USCIS.

### **Address Changes**

It is very important that you promptly update your address when you move. If you don't, your green card may be sent to the wrong address. You can update your address on USCIS's website <u>here</u>.

# Obtaining your certificate of citizenship

If you are under 14 years old, USCIS will likely mail you your Certificate of Citizenship. If you are 14 years old or older, it is required that you take the Oath of Allegiance before USCIS issues your Certificate of Citizenship to you. They will send you a notice in the mail indicating the date, time, and place you will take the Oath of Allegiance and pick up your certificate.

#### The Oath of Allegiance

On the date you are to pick up your Certificate of Citizenship, USCIS officer will require you to take the Oath of Allegiance. You will be invited to raise your right hand and repeat the following words:



I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, of whom or which I have heretofore been a subject or citizen; that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will bear arms on behalf of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform noncombatant service in the Armed Forces of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform work of national importance under civilian direction when required by the law; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; so help me God.

# Safeguard your Certificate of Citizenship

Be sure to keep your Certificate of Citizenship safe and secure. It is time-consuming and costly to replace. There is not an expiration date on the certificate, so there will be no need to renew the certificate. If you do lose your certificate, please contact us and we can help you obtain a replacement certificate.