BEFORE YOU START

## What to gather

1. Your Notice to Appear and A-number
2. Proof of every year in the U.S.: leases, taxes, pay stubs, school records
3. Birth certificates of U.S. citizen children
4. Records of any arrest or court case
5. Medical and school records showing hardship
6. A family emergency plan for children
7. Copies of every immigration filing

Beware of “notarios.” In the U.S., a notary public is not a lawyer and cannot give immigration advice. Only a licensed attorney or an accredited representative can.

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## Talk to an immigration lawyer.

Hall Trial Lawyers represents individuals, families and employers before USCIS, the immigration courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals. Hablamos español.

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# Immigration Court

## *A free guide*

What to do if you or a family member gets a Notice to Appear, is detained, or is facing deportation.

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# If you get a Notice to Appear

**Never miss court**

If you miss a hearing, the judge can order you deported without you there.

**Keep your address current**

Tell the immigration court within 5 days of any move (Form EOIR-33), and tell USCIS too.

**You may have a lawyer**

You have the right to a lawyer, but the government will not provide one. The court provides an interpreter.

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# Cancellation of removal

**Without a green card**

You may qualify if you have been in the U.S. for 10 years, have good moral character, and your removal would cause exceptional and extremely unusual hardship to a U.S. citizen or permanent resident spouse, parent or child.

**With a green card**

You may qualify if you have been a permanent resident for 5 years and lived here continuously for 7 years after admission, with no aggravated felony.

**Other defenses**

Asylum, adjustment of status, waivers, voluntary departure and appeals to the Board of Immigration Appeals.

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# If someone is detained

**Stay silent and ask for a lawyer**

Don't answer questions about where you were born or how you entered, and don't sign anything you don't understand.

**Find them**

Use ICE's Online Detainee Locator with their A-number or name and country of birth.

**Act fast**

Since 2025, many people have been denied bond hearings in immigration court and have needed a federal court petition to seek release. Call us right away.

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