INSTRUCTIONS
READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING FORM ON REVERSE SIDE
ATTACH FORM TO N-600 OR N-643 APPLICATION

A United States citizen parent (the applicant) should complete this supplement when applying for expeditious naturalization for his or her natural child of Form N-600 or for his or her adopted child on Form N-643. Pursuant to the transmission requirements of section 322 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, the citizen parent must have 5 years physical presence in the United States or its outlying possessions with at least 2 years occurring after age 14, in order to transmit citizenship. Section 322 allows a citizen parent who is unable to transmit citizenship to apply for a certificate of citizenship for his or her child, based on the physical presence of the child's United States citizen grandparent (the United States citizen parent of the applicant).

The parent should document that he and she meets the transmission requirements on a separate paper(s) and attach the documentation to the N-600 or N-643 application. When the parent uses the grandparent's physical presence to meet transmission requirements, he or she chould attach this supplement to the N-600 or N-643 application. The grandparent may be living or deceased at the time of application.

Only United States citizen parent may file the N-600 and N-643 application and supplement for his or her child. In the case of divorce, only the citizen parent having legal custody of the child may file the N-600 and N-643 applications and supplement.

If the citizen parent and child live abroad, the N-600 or N-643 application and supplement may be filed at any Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) District or Sub Office in the United States or its outlying possessions (including San Juan, P.R., the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam) or with such other Service office as the Commissioner may designate. If the citizen parent and child reside in the United States, the application and supplement must be filed at the INS office having jurisdiction over the parent's residence.

Both the applicant and child must appear in person for an interview with INS. The applicant must file a separate application and supplement for each child seeking a certificate of citizenship.

The INS will issue a certificate of citizenship to a child whose grandparent meets the transmission requirements when the applicant submits proof of the following: (1) at least one parent is a citizen of the United States, whether by birth, naturalization, or derivation; (2) the child is physically present in the United States pursuant to a lawful admission; (3) the child is under the age of 18 years and in the legal custody of the citizen parent; and (4) if the citizen parent is an adoptive parent of the child, the child was adopted by the citizen parent before the child reached the age of 16 years and the child has been in the legal custody of, and has resided with, adoptive parent or parents for at least two years, or the child is the beneficiary of an orphan petition.

AGE OF APPLICANT: The application must be filed, adjudicated, and approved with the oath of allegiance administered (unless waived) before the child's 18th birthday.

NAME TO BE SHOWN ON CERTIFICATE OF CITIZENSHIP: INS will issue the certificate only in the name the child has the legal right to use. INS cannot authorize name changes.

DOCUMENTS: The applicant must attach a full English translation to any document written in foreign language. The translator must certify that he or she is competent to translate and that the translation is accurate.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION: INS will return the entire application packet to the applicant if it does not include the proper documents. The required documents are:

- birth certificates (and naturalization certificates if applicable) of the applicant, child, and grandparent.
- marriage certificate (if the applicant is the child's father) or documents verifying legitimation according to the laws of child's residence.
- legal custody documentation if the applicant is divorced from the child's other parent.

If the applicant's name has been legally changed from what is shown on any birth certificate and/or naturalization or citizenship certificate to be submitted, the applicant must attach the document(s) authorizing the name change, such as a marriage certificate or a court order. Likewise, if the grandparent's name has been legally changed from what is shown on any birth certificate and/or naturalization or citizenship certificate to be submitted, applicant must attach the document(s) authorizing the name change.

The applicant must submit documentation that proves the transmitting grandparent meets the required physical residence period in the United States. The grandparent must have lived in the United States or its outlying possessions for 5 years, at least 2 of those years occurring after the age of 14. Documents may include school records, military records, utlitity bills, medical records, deeds, mortgages, contracts, insurance policies, receipts, or attestations by churches, unions, or other organizations. If no documents are available, the applicant may submit notarized affidavits of at least two persons who were living at the time, and who have personal knowledge, of the event described. The person executing the affidavit must state how knowledge of the event was obtained.

The applicant may submit copies of documents rather than originals. If originals are submitted, INS may keep them for their files. If copies are submitted, the applicant should be prepared to present originals at time of the interview.

PRIVACY ACT NOTICE: The Authority to collect this information is contained in Title 8, United States Code. Furnishing the information on this form is voluntary, however, failure to provide all of the requested information may result in the delay of a final decision or denial of your request. The information collected will be used to make a determination on your application. It may, however, be provided to other government agencies (Federal, state, local and/or foreign).

REPORTING BURDEN: A person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. We try to create forms and instructions that are accurate, can be easily understood, and which impose the least possible burden on you to provide us with information. Often this is difficult because some immigration laws are very complex. Accordingly, the reporting burden for this collection of information is computed as follows: 1) learning about the form, 11 minutes; 2) completing the form, 7 minutes; and 3) assembling and filing the application, 12 minutes, for an estimated average of 30 minutes per response. If you have comments regarding the accurancy of this estimate, or suggestions for making this form simpler, you can write to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, HQPDI, 425 I Street, N.W., Room 4034, Washington DC 20536, OMB No. 1115-0203. **DO NOT MAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THIS ADDRESS.**