

Federal court ruling on DACA

On January 09, 2018, a judge in the California federal court ordered that the administration must continue to accept DACA renewal applications as it was doing before September 5th. On January 16th, Trump Administration has expressed their intention to appeal the court decision. Application must be filed quickly.

Who can apply?

- ⇒ USCIS is now accepting certain DACA renewal applications.
 - If your DACA expired before September 5, 2016, you must reapply by filing your application as a first-time one rather than as a renewal.
 - A DACA permit that was expired for less than a year will still be considered a renewal
 - Updated guideline can be found [here](#). Individuals who were previously granted deferred action under DACA may request renewal by filing Form [I-821D](#), [Form I-765](#), and [Form I-765 Worksheet](#), with the appropriate fee (\$495) or approved fee exemption request, and 2 passport-sized photos at [the USCIS designated filing location](#). Payment should be written to US Department of Homeland Security.
- ⇒ Requests for advance parole from DACA recipients will not be accepted.
- ⇒ **Initial applications will not be accepted.** If you have not received DACA previously, this ruling does not apply to you.

Status of Preliminary Injunction

- ⇒ This decision is not permanent. Trump Administration has expressed their intention to appeal the court decision.
- ⇒ Legislation like the Dream Act is the only permanent solution.

Risk

- ⇒ You can choose to apply but understand the risk associated with this decision.
 - Your application could be rejected and your packet could get sent back
 - You could potentially lose your filing fee
 - If your address changed, you may be giving DHS additional personal information

Consult with an attorney or trusted legal service provider

- ⇒ Understand your legal options
- ⇒ Find out if you might be eligible for a permanent immigration benefit
- ⇒ Call the NAKASEC's Immigration Hotline at 844-500-3222

Get Help!

- ⇒ **Everyone, regardless of their status, has constitutional rights before immigration authorities!**
- ⇒ **You are not Alone!** Call 1-844-500-3222 (voice) to talk with someone regarding your immigrant rights.
- ⇒ **Avoid fraudulent service providers:** Confirm their credentials, ask for a written contract and a receipt for any payments, and if you have doubts, get a second opinion.
- ⇒ **Avoid negative contact with law enforcement.** If you have a criminal record, consult an expert. Certain convictions can be changed to lessen the impact on a future immigration case.



For More Information:

844-500-3222

Sources: Immigrant Legal Resource Center Updated on 9/10/2017 & National Immigration Law Center updated on 01/14/2018