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## Reminder: Liberian Refugee Immigration Fairness

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) reminds stakeholders that we continue to accept properly filed applications for Liberian Refugee Immigration Fairness (LRIF) from eligible Liberian nationals and their family members until Dec. 20, 2021. Family members include the spouse, unmarried children under 21 years old, and unmarried sons or daughters 21 years old or older of a Liberian principal applicant who are living in the U.S. and who meet the eligibility requirements to obtain lawful permanent resident status.

### Featured Question

Q. What are the requirements for a family member to adjust status based on LRIF?

A. To adjust based on LRIF, each family member must:

- Properly file his or her own Form I-485, Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status, which must be received by USCIS on or before December 20, 2021;
- Be admissible to the United States for lawful permanent residence or eligible for a waiver of inadmissibility or other form of relief; and
- Establish their qualifying relationship to the Liberian principal applicant. The qualifying relationship may have been created before or after the Liberian principal applicant's adjustment, but it must exist on the date of filing and date of adjudication of the family member's adjustment application.

Eligible family members may file their adjustment application:

- Together with the Liberian principal applicant's LRIF-based adjustment application; or
- After the Liberian principal applicant filed an LRIF-based adjustment application that remains pending a final decision or was approved by USCIS.

An eligible family member may not adjust status before the qualifying Liberian principal applicant. Adjustment of family members must be concurrent with or subsequent to the Liberian principal applicant's adjustment to LPR status.

Eligible family members do not need to:

- Demonstrate Liberian nationality; or
- Demonstrate continuous physical presence in the U.S. since Nov. 20, 2014.

We will feature a different FAQ in each of our upcoming LRIF messages. If you would like to submit a suggestion for a future question, email us at [public.engagement@uscis.dhs.gov](mailto:public.engagement@uscis.dhs.gov), and put "LRIF Q&A" in the subject line.

#### **More Information**

On Feb. 25, 2021, USCIS held a national stakeholder engagement on LRIF. The [PowerPoint](#) and [frequently asked questions](#) are available in the [USCIS Electronic Reading Room](#). We held a follow up engagement on July 21, 2021. For the most current information related to LRIF, including eligibility of family members to obtain lawful permanent resident status, visit our [LRIF webpage](#). Find the updated guidance at [USCIS Policy Manual - Volume 7: Adjustment of Status, Part P, Other Adjustment Programs, Chapter 5, Liberian Refugee Immigration Fairness](#).

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