



# FAMILY COURT REFERRAL

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## IMMIGRATION HISTORY

### QUESTIONS FOR CLIENT

**Where were you born?**

**What is your date of birth?**

**What is your current immigration status?** *Common answers:*

- Green Card/Legal Permanent Resident
- Undocumented/Visa Overstay
- Visa Holder (e.g. student, employment, travel)
- Refugee/Asylee
- TPS (Temporary Protected Status)
- DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals)/DREAMers
- Work permit is \*NOT\* a status. ASK to see employment authorization card and write down code.

**When did you receive your current immigration status?** *Ask for specific date.*

**When did you enter the U.S.? Status when you entered?** *Common answers:*

- Crossed border/Entered without papers
- Undocumented
- Visa
- Green Card
- Refugee

**Have you ever had contact with immigration in the past? If so, specify.**

- Any contact with officers at the border?
- Any applications to immigration?
- Have you been to immigration court or seen an immigration judge?

**Do you have an A (“alien”) number? If so, what is it?**

- Not everyone has an A number.
- A number can be found on green card and immigration documents.

**Do you have any pending immigration applications (e.g. green card, citizenship, or other status)?**

**Is there a deportation case against you?**

**Do you have court dates to see an immigration judge?**

**Do you have an immigration attorney?** If yes, ask for contact info.

**What is the immigration status of immediate family members?**

- Mother and Father
- Legal Spouse or Partner
- Children (including age of children)

**ASK TO COPY IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS**

## CRIMINAL HISTORY

Clients may not know the answers to these questions. Contact current and past defense attorneys for assistance with criminal history.

### QUESTIONS FOR CLIENT

**Do you currently have an open criminal case (related or unrelated to your family case)?** If yes:

- What are the charges?
- Is there a criminal court O/P? Subject to family court modification?
- Ask for defense attorney contact.

**Do you have any prior criminal convictions (including violations, youthful offender, and juvenile delinquency dispositions)?**

**For each conviction, what was the:**

- Arrest date
- Date of conviction
- Statute(s) of conviction

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### QUESTIONS FOR ATTORNEY

**Which party do you represent?**

**What is your client’s docket or file number?**

**Is your client in custody (incarcerated or immigration detention)?**

**What stage of proceeding is the case in?**

**Do you have documents from any concurrent criminal case?**

**Have any orders of protection been issued?**

**Does the client have prior family court cases?**

- If yes, what county and what part?
- What were the dispositions of each prior case?

## DOCUMENTS TO PROVIDE

Petition

Orders of Protection

Disposition of Current Case and Past Cases (if any)

Copies of Immigration Documents (if any)