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We know the terrain, the pitfalls, and the glorious vistas. Let us guide you through the immigration legal system.

Naturalization Success

– Part One –

In 2024, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is giving high priority to N-400, Applications for Naturalization.

USCIS publishes basic information about the [requirements to naturalize](#), and excellent [resources to study for the English and Civics tests](#).

However, this post is the first in a series with important tips that go beyond the basics.

SUCCESS TIP #1:

Review your record before USCIS does!

Why?

Because you could put your green card at risk. When USCIS processes an Application for Naturalization, it reviews the person's entire immigration history. If USCIS finds there was a defect or fraud in the green card process, you could be placed in removal proceedings.

Who is most at-risk?

It is especially important to review a copy of your immigration record if:

- You are no longer married to the person who petitioned for you.
- If you were not represented by an attorney when you applied for your green card.
- If you spoke very little English when you applied for your green card.

How do I obtain my record from the USCIS?

By [filing a Freedom of Information Act request with USCIS](#).

What will I see in the record?

You should see copies of the immigration applications and supporting documents that you filed in the past. The record should also contain the written decisions from the agencies. Sometimes, you will also see notes of the immigration officers. This information can be extremely helpful as you prepare to file your naturalization application.

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