

# Immigrant Legal Resource Center

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# ILRC

The ILRC uses policy advocacy, capacity building, and civic engagement strategies to help immigrant families be together and thrive.

The ILRC is headquartered in San Francisco and has offices in California's Central Valley, San Antonio & Austin, Texas, and Washington DC.





- **The ILRC believes that one of the most important ways immigrants can protect their rights and the rights of their families is to naturalize.**
- **The ILRC leads a national project called the New Americans Campaign. Founded in 2011, the New Americans Campaign has helped over 420,000 people complete naturalization applications and held over 7,500 naturalization workshops across the country.**

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# Policy Work

- **Our policy advocacy work focuses on addressing inequalities in the immigration system**
  - **Protecting individuals who have had contact with the criminal legal system;**
  - **Expanding laws and policies to offer greater protections to immigrants;**
  - **Ensuring more immigrants can access legal services and engage in the political process.**

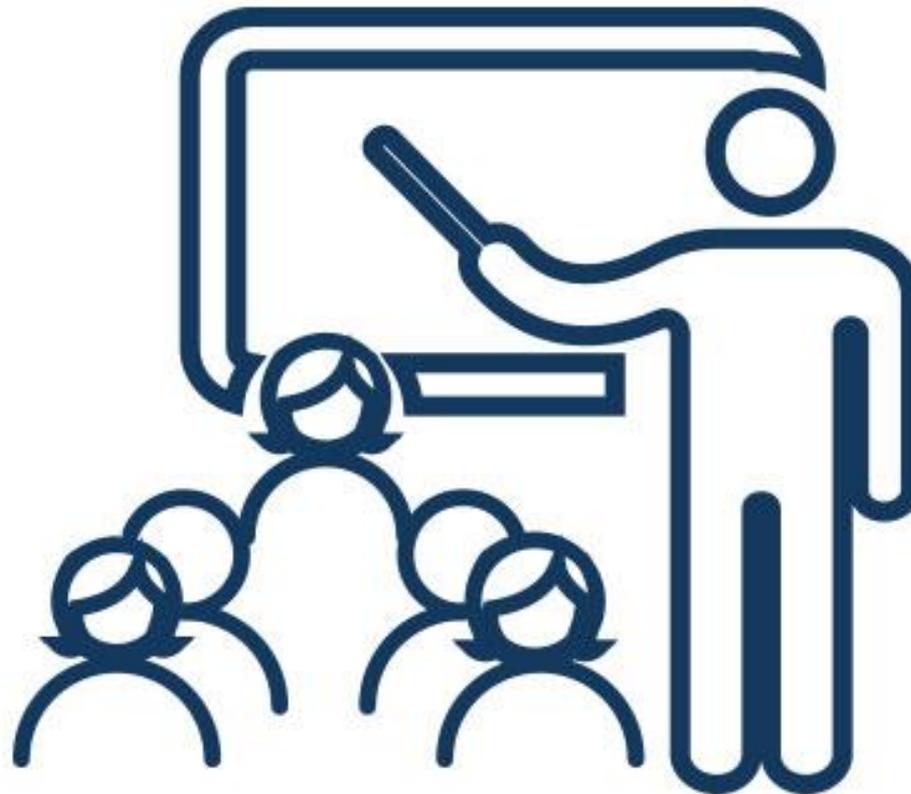
# Policy Highlight

In 2019, the ILRC helped ensure California's Assembly Bill 32 (AB 32) was signed into law.

AB 32, which took effect in January 2020, will shut down private prisons and immigration jails in California. This law is a major step towards dismantling systems of mass incarceration of immigrants and catapults a national conversation on abolishing immigration detention.

# Trainings & Resources

We provide technical legal assistance, trainings, and publications to immigration law practitioners, legal services organizations, and community-based organizations.

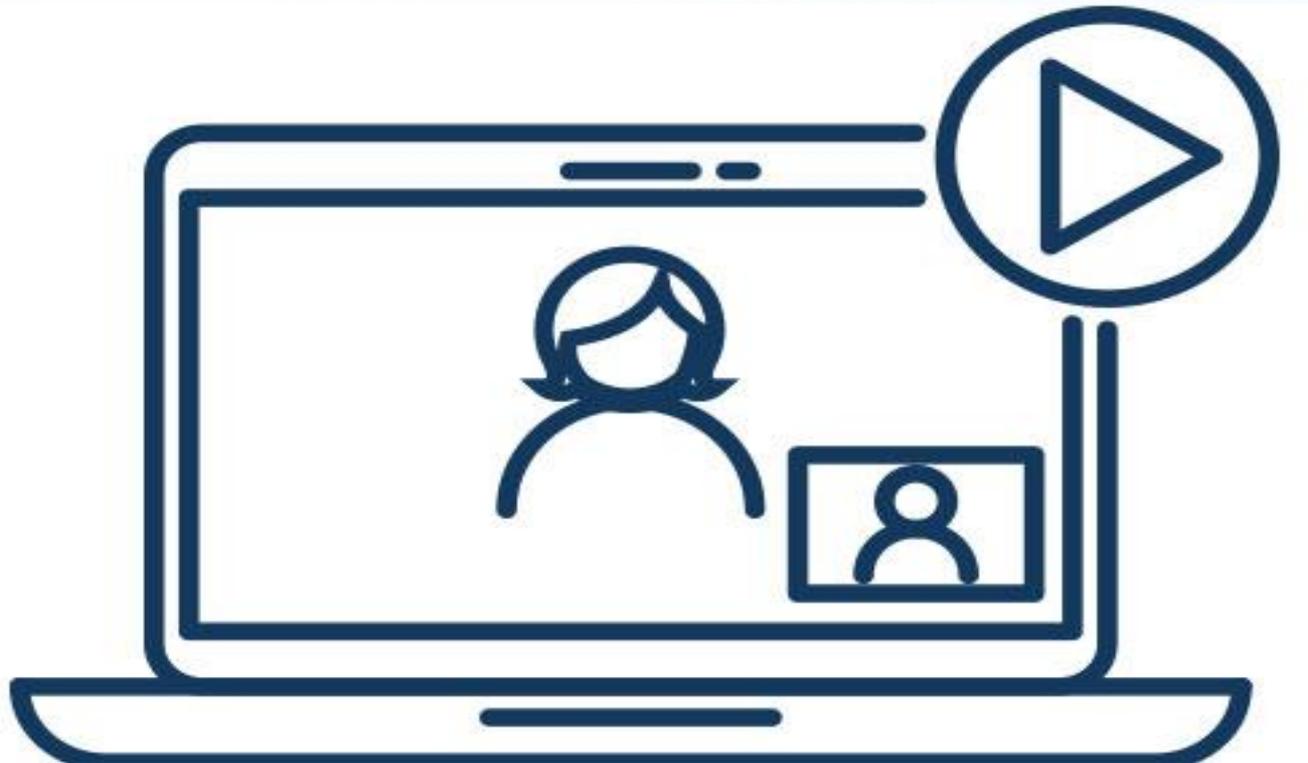


# ILRC Attorney of the Day

- Mon-Thu 10am-5pm
- Our AOD attorneys are available to answer inquiries by e-mail regarding immigration law and practice. Our attorneys will also schedule an appointment for a phone consultation if you request one in your e-mail inquiry.
- To access our AOD service, please contact our AOD Administrator at (415) 255-9499, or email [AODAdmin@ilrc.org](mailto:AODAdmin@ilrc.org) to set up a contract. For more information, please visit <http://www.ilrc.org/legal-assistance>

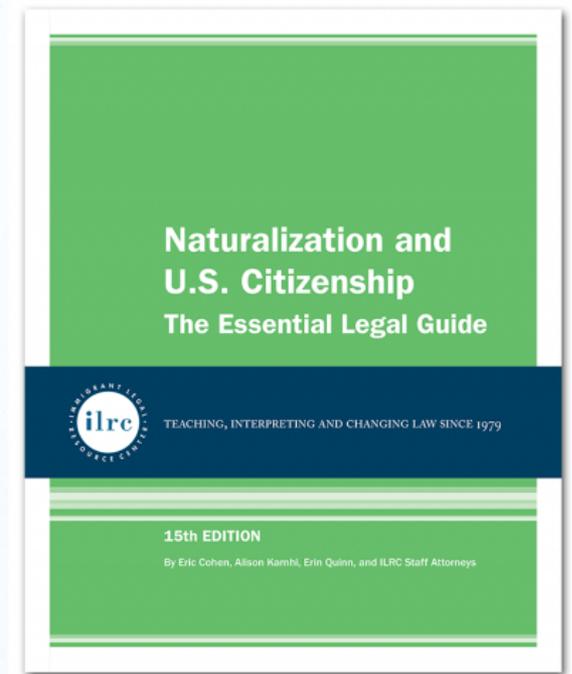
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Almost 8,000 questions answered for non-profits, service providers, and pro bono attorneys in 2018 alone



# Naturalization and U.S. Citizenship

- **Naturalization and U.S. Citizenship:** A 2018 edition of Naturalization and U.S. Citizenship is available on ILRC's website.
- Overall, you will learn detailed eligibility requirements for naturalization and helpful suggestions on both procedural issues and ways to effectively work with naturalization clients.
- One of the strengths of the *Essential Guide* is that it is very easy to read and understand. It provides numerous explanatory examples, citations to the law, practical suggestions and more.

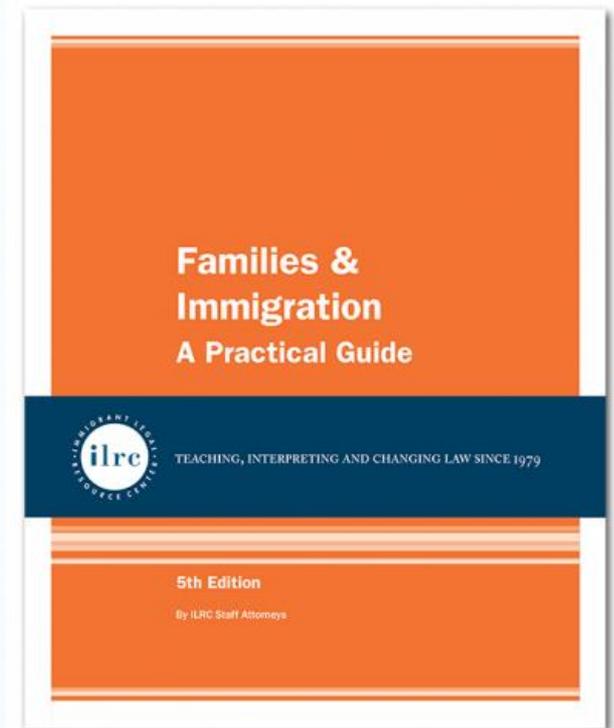


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# Families & Immigration: A Practical Guide

*Families & Immigration: A Practical Guide* is an essential tool for practitioners who assist in all aspects of family-sponsored immigration. This resource is designed for everyday practice by new and seasoned immigration attorneys, immigration paralegals, community-based organizations, and family immigration advocates.

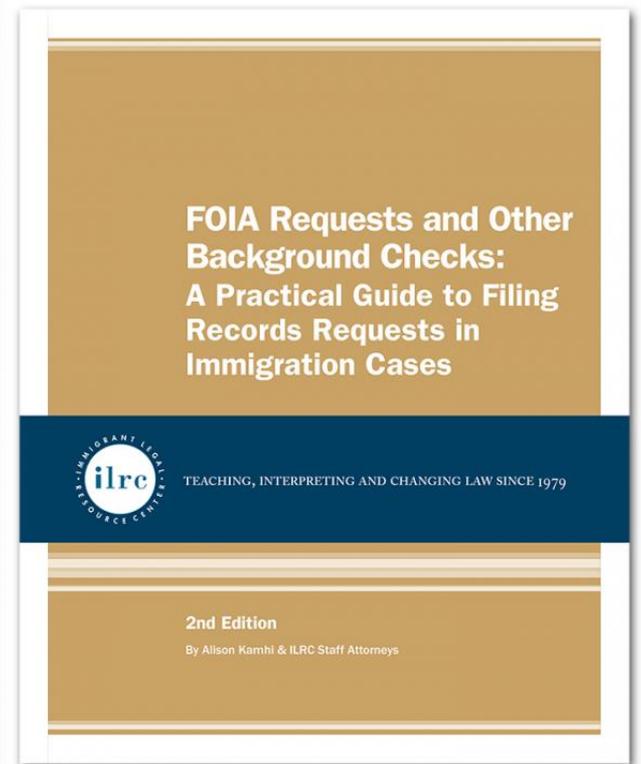


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# FOIA Requests and Other Background Checks

*FOIA Requests and Other Background Checks: A Practical Guide to Filing Records Requests in Immigration Cases* provides practitioners with a one-stop guide for information about why, when, where, and how to file background checks in immigration cases. This guide describes the various federal agencies and components that generally hold immigration records, explains how to request records and appeal denials or incomplete responses, and provides tips for certain circumstances, such as representing minors or immigrants in removal proceedings.



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