

Form I-360 Review Guidance

Note: As is evident from the form, it is utilized for many different types of benefits, not just Special Immigrant Juvenile Status. As a result, you will not complete large portions of the form.¹ However, it is critical that you complete all sections that are applicable. Reading the form instructions is always a good idea. In addition, it may be helpful to view a translation of the form into Spanish [here](#), though the currently available translation is of a prior and not a current version of the I-360 form. In addition, here are some tips:

- Note that the I-360 was recently updated. Starting September 21, 2022, USCIS is only accepting the new edition of the form. You can find it [here](#).
- If you are applying for SIJ and do not require a safe mailing address, skip to Part 2.
- Part 1, Numbers 1-6, state: "You must complete Part 1, as the petitioner **if** you are filing this petition on behalf of another person. If you are a Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) self-petitioner or special immigrant juvenile, skip to Part 1., Item Number 7." Since an SIJ is a self-petitioner, Part 1, Numbers 1-6 would not apply.
- Part 1, Number 7 states: "If you are a VAWA self-petitioning spouse, child, parent, or a special immigrant juvenile **and** do not want U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to send notices about this petition to your home, you **may** provide an alternate and/or safe mailing address." (emphasis added)
- If the SIJ petitioner would like to provide an alternate and/or safe mailing address (such as attorney's address), they may do so in Part 1, Number 7. If not, the self-petitioner may skip to Part 2 to check the box and fill in their information in Part 3. If it feels uncomfortable to leave Part 1 completely blank, you can add "See Part 3" in Numbers 1 and/or 7.
- At Part 2, mark the box next to "C. Special Immigrant Juvenile."
- Part 3 should be completed. Part 4 applies to persons outside the U.S. or who will seek to adjust status outside the U.S. and can be skipped.
- Regarding Part 5, your client should not be married because being "unmarried" is an eligibility requirement for special immigrant juvenile status. If he/she also does not have any children, you can skip Part 5. If he/she does have children, you will need to fill out each child's information under Part 5.
- You will skip Parts 6 & 7 altogether as they do not apply.

¹ It may be best to always type or write "N/A," even to questions that do not apply, as USCIS has, in the past, rejected applications (including I-589s and I-918s) as incomplete where spaces were left blank. USCIS has confirmed elimination of this practice, however. See "USCIS Confirms Elimination of 'Blank Space' Criteria [here](#)."

- You will need to complete Part 8. Be sure that the answers to your questions correspond with the state court order. Question 2B requests the name of the individual, agency or organization granted custody. For question 4A you only check the boxes that apply. Question 6B is inquiring as to whether there was a need for specific consent in the applicant's case.
- You will skip Parts 9 & 10.
- The remainder of the form should be completed as appropriate. You can provide your suggestions as to any organization preferences for how to fill the sections out as to preparers and interpreters.
- Note that with regard to signatures, USCIS has specific guidance on who may sign and what constitutes an acceptable signature. You can read more in the USCIS Policy Manual, Chapter 2, [here](#).