J-2 WORK AUTHORIZATION

The following documents should be submitted with the application for an Employment Authorization Document (EAD card)

___ 1. Form I-765 signed and dated. Form is fillable on the web at www.uscis.gov. Answer to #16 on the form is (c) (5) ( ).

___ 2. I-765 filing fee in form of check or money order payable to Dept. of Homeland Security. See www.uscis.gov for current filing fees.

___ 3. Photographs of J-2 (2) per DHS instructions (must meet U.S. passport specs)


___ 5. Copy of J-1 and J-2’s Forms DS 2019

___ 6. Statement written and signed by the J-2 stating that the employment is not necessary to support living expenses. It is only so that the J-2 can practice English, experience the culture etc.

___ 7. Copy of J-1 and J-2 visas and the biography pages of the J-1 and J-2 passports

___ 8. Copy of the current EAD card (if applicable)

Mail all documentation to:

USCIS Phoenix Lockbox
PO Box 21281
Phoenix, AZ 85036

*Photocopy the signed I-765 and the check to DHS for your records before you mail the package

EAD cards are issued in one year increments. However, they will not be issued beyond the end date of the current DS 2019. It is critical that you apply to renew an EAD at least three months before your current EAD expires, so that you will not have to stop working while waiting for the new EAD.

Please Note; The address you list on the I-765 is the address to where the EAD card will be sent. The U.S. Postal Service is not allowed to forward mail from USCIS. If you move while the petition is pending you must notify USCIS by updating your address online at www.uscis.gov