

YOUR WORKING CHECKLIST

Form G-884: request the return of original documents

How is G-884 different from asking for a copy of my immigration file?

G-884 requests the return of original documents previously submitted to establish eligibility for a USCIS benefit. A FOIA request seeks access to records and is a different task. Identify the original, the prior submission and the person entitled to request it before using the current instructions.

Check the boxes on screen or by hand. Use the notes area for records to find and questions to ask.

Your preparation checklist

- ☐ Describe each original document specifically.
- ☐ Identify the USCIS submission connected to it.
- ☐ Separate original return from FOIA access or correction.
- ☐ Read current identity and request instructions.
- ☐ Record the actual returned items and remaining gaps.

Notes and questions to follow up

Source links and current instructions

Sources checked October 25, 2026. Follow current instructions at the linked institution.

USCIS: Form G-884: request the return of original documents

<https://www.uscis.gov/g-884>

Immigrant Insider: Editorial policy and verification status

<https://immigrantinsider.com/editorial-policy/>

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