

YOUR WORKING CHECKLIST

Chicago USCIS offices: petition filing versus local appointments

Does a Chicago USCIS field-office location determine where an employer petition should be filed?

A Chicago USCIS field-office result identifies a local office resource. It does not determine an employer petition's filing channel or a response destination. Petition instructions, agency correspondence and an individual appointment notice should remain separate evidence of those tasks.

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

Your preparation checklist

- ☐ Identify petitioner, beneficiary and applicant from the actual papers.
- ☐ Keep filing instructions separate from attendance directions.
- ☐ Retain receipt and transfer notices in sequence.
- ☐ Use separate submission and appointment logs.

Notes and questions to follow up

Source links and current instructions

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

USCIS: USCIS Office Locator

<https://egov.uscis.gov/office-locator>

USCIS: Find a field office by ZIP code

<https://my.uscis.gov/help/schedule/search>

Immigrant Insider: Editorial policy and verification status

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

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Source links (continued)

U.S. Department of Justice / EOIR: Find legal representation

<https://www.justice.gov/eoir/find-legal-representation>

USCIS: Form I-129: petition structure for temporary workers

<https://www.uscis.gov/i-129>

USCIS: Form I-140: immigrant worker petition and the evidence structure

<https://www.uscis.gov/i-140>

USCIS: Form I-485 and official instructions

<https://www.uscis.gov/i-485>

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