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Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project Advisory on the Supreme Court's June 26, 2017 Ruling on the Muslim Ban

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What Did the Court Rule?

- On June 26, 2017, the Supreme Court said that it would review President Trump's travel ban executive order during its next session in the fall, to determine if the travel ban is legal.
- The Supreme Court also partially upheld the lower court injunctions, ordering that the travel ban will remain suspended for those who have a credible claim to a *bona fide* relationship with a person or entity in the U.S., but the travel ban will now go into effect for those who do not.

What Does this Mean?

- The travel ban will go into effect for some people while the case is pending with the Supreme Court. This is a temporary situation—from now until the Court hears the case next session.
- The definition of a “bona fide relationship” is not clear and is likely to be subject to interpretation and litigation as people from the banned countries begin trying to enter the U.S.

*Who is **not** subject to the travel ban?*

- If you are in the U.S. and you plan to apply, or have applied, for asylum this ban does not apply to you.
- If you have already been admitted into the U.S. then the travel ban does not apply to you.
- If you file a visa petition for a family member to immigrate to the U.S., your family member should not be subject to the travel ban.
- “Entities” include schools and employers. If someone outside the U.S. is approved to attend a school or has a job offer in the U.S. they should not be subject to the travel ban.
- Refugees who are already in the U.S. are not subject to the travel ban.
- Refugees outside the U.S. who have relationships with people or entities in the United States are not subject to the travel ban.

*Who **is** subject to the ban?*

- People outside the U.S. who are from Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, or Yemen who do not have relationships with people or entities in the U.S. are subject to the travel ban and cannot enter the U.S. for at least 90 days.
- Refugees outside the U.S. who do not have relationships with people or entities in the U.S. will be subject to the travel ban and cannot enter U.S. for at least 120 days.

If you have questions about how this may affect you or your family, you can call ILAP to schedule an intake appointment: 780-1593 extension #100.

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