

## Military Naturalization - Service During Hostilities

Has the applicant served in the military <u>since 9/11/01</u> or during another designated period of hostilities? The applicant may be eligible to naturalize based on their military service

- Must have served in the U.S. armed forces during a designated period of hostility
  - Active duty service in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard, or
  - Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve
- One year of good moral character required
- No fee
  - No fee waiver needed
- Applicant must provide DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, showing applicant's name and character of service
  - Character of service must be "Honorable" or "General Under Honorable Conditions"
  - If applicant was in the National Guard, applicant must provide NGB Form 22,
    National Guard Report of Separation and Record of Service, instead
- Applicant must complete Form N-426, Request for Certification of Military or Naval Service
  - Form does not need to be certified if applicant is a former service member
  - If applicant is currently serving, this form must be certified by an officer in the grade of O-6 or higher

Designated Periods of Hostilities			
World War II	September 1, 1939	$\rightarrow$	December 31, 1946
Korean Conflict	June 25, 1950	$\rightarrow$	July 1, 1955
Vietnam Hostilities	February 28, 1961	$\rightarrow$	October 15, 1978
Persian Gulf Conflict	August 2, 1990	$\rightarrow$	April 11, 1991
War on Terrorism	September 11, 2001	$\rightarrow$	Present

• On the N-400, applicant must check box D on Part 1, Question 1, "Are applying on the basis of qualifying military service."