

immediately. If you do this, you will be giving up your legal rights. If you have your green card and get deported for an aggravated felony, you are giving up your right to live here legally and will never be able to return to the U.S. to live here permanently. You probably could not return even for a visit. So think carefully about the life you are leaving behind before deciding to be deported.

### **If the Immigration Judge ordered me deported, when do I leave?**

If you tell the Immigration Judge you want to appeal, Immigration cannot deport you for at least 30 days to give you time to file your Notice of Appeal. If you tell the Judge you do not want to appeal, the government can deport you after only 3 days. Before deporting someone, the government has to get travel documents, which could take weeks, a month, or more (this could also depend on the country where you are from). Friends and relatives who have legal status can help you. They can bring your identity papers to Immigration Enforcement and Removal:

**ICE Enforcement and Removal Office (ERO)  
10 New England Executive Park  
Burlington, MA 01803**

The telephone number is 781-359-7500, and the office is open from 8 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Your friends or relatives should make copies first before giving documents to Immigration. Someone without legal status should not go to Immigration for you. He or she could be arrested.

### **What if I do not speak English and the Immigration Court did not have a good interpreter?**

You can ask for a new hearing with a good interpreter if you do not understand what happened in Immigration Court. You need to tell the Immigration Judge that you do not understand English or that the interpreter was not doing a good job. You should tell the judge this at the hearing. After the hearing you can write the judge explaining this, but it is better to tell the judge at the hearing if you do not understand.

## **GETTING IMMIGRATION RECORDS THROUGH A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST**

### **How do I find out what information the government has about me?**

You can file a **Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)** request to get a copy of information Immigration has about you. To find information at the Boston Immigration Court, write a letter to: Boston Immigration Court, Executive Office for Immigration Review, 15 New Sudbury Street, John F. Kennedy Building, Boston, MA 02203 and include your full name, your A# and the records you want. If you have a Notice to Appear in Immigration Court, you can also write: National Records Center Fast Track (FOIA/PA Office), P.O. Box 648010, Lee's Summit, MO 64064-8010, and include a copy of your Notice to Appear, G-639 Freedom of Information Act Request, and written notice of your Master Calendar Hearing Date. If you were ever arrested by the Border Patrol, ask for records from: USCIS, National Record Center