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USCIS and counsel for class members in *Kaplan v Chertoff*, 06-5304, (E.D. Pennsylvania), have reached a [settlement agreement](#). The agreement provides for expedited processing of stalled naturalization and adjustment of status applications for individuals at risk of losing SSI benefits. It allows class members that have an application pending for more than six months to request expedited processing and directs the USCIS and the FBI to request priority processing of any pending or future security checks.

Additionally, the agreement creates a method for the Social Security Administration to identify and contact individuals who were terminated or are at risk of termination from the SSI program while waiting for a stalled naturalization application.

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