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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will honor our nation's veterans Thursday, November 8th during a special naturalization ceremony at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center, Carlisle Barracks, Pa. at 1:30 p.m. Of the 35 citizenship candidates, four are veterans of the U.S. armed forces, one of which is in the Army National Guard.

Welcoming the citizenship candidates and their guests will be U.S. Army War College Deputy Commandant, Colonel Bobby Towery. During the ceremony, USCIS District Director, Tony Bryson will administer the *Oath of Allegiance*, after which the candidates become citizens and will receive their Certificate of Naturalization.

U.S. Navy Commander Arthur Fong, a naturalized citizen and a U.S. Army War College student, will address the new Americans.

The 35 candidates originate from the following 23 countries: Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Ghana, Haiti, India, Iraq, Italy, Jordan, Kenya, Liberia, Mexico, Moldova, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, and Trinidad and Tobago.

USCIS will conduct 37 special Veterans Day naturalization ceremonies from Nov. 6 to Nov. 16, naturalizing approximately 3,700 individuals.

USCIS expedites the application and naturalization process for members of the U.S. armed forces regardless of where they serve. Our support to the armed forces resulted in nearly 8,700 noncitizens serving in the military realizing their dream of U.S. citizenship in fiscal year 2012.

**N-400 APPLICATION
FOR NATURALIZATION**



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