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Executive Office for Immigration Review Expands Legal Orientation Program for Custodians of Unaccompanied Alien Children

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) today announced that beginning March 1, 2016, it will expand its Legal Orientation Program for Custodians of Unaccompanied Alien Children (LOPC) to Memphis, Tenn., bringing the total LOPC sites to 15 sites nationwide.

The LOPC provides legal orientation presentations and *pro bono* referral services to the adult caregivers of unaccompanied children in removal proceedings. The program helps the immigration court process function more efficiently and effectively by providing valuable information to the custodians of children who arrive in the United States without a parent or guardian. The LOPC also operates a National Call Center to assist in scheduling individuals for LOPC services as well as to help in providing basic legal information to those custodians who have no access to local LOPC services.

In addition to Memphis, Tenn., sites are: Arlington, Va.; Atlanta; Baltimore; Boston; Charlotte, N.C.; Dallas, Harlingen, and Houston, Texas; Los Angeles; Long Island and New York City, N.Y.; Miami; Newark, N.J.; and San Francisco. Please see EOIR's [website](#) for more details.

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The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) is an agency within the Department of Justice. Under delegated authority from the Attorney General, immigration judges and the Board of Immigration Appeals interpret and adjudicate immigration cases according to United States immigration laws. EOIR's immigration judges conduct administrative court proceedings in immigration courts located throughout the nation. They determine whether foreign-born individuals – whom the Department of Homeland Security charges with violating immigration law – should be ordered removed from the United States or should be granted relief from removal and be permitted to remain in this country. The Board of Immigration Appeals primarily reviews appeals of decisions by immigration judges. EOIR's Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer adjudicates immigration-related employment cases. EOIR is committed to ensuring fairness in all of the cases it adjudicates.