

In January 2025, the **Trump administration** introduced a sweeping executive order titled **"Protecting the American People Against Invasion."** While framed as a national security initiative, this directive dramatically expands the scope of **immigration enforcement**, with significant implications for immigrants, asylum seekers, and families pursuing legal residence in the United States. *Read the full executive order here*

At **Lunel Law**, we know that **awareness is protection**. This article outlines the key changes, who may be affected, and what steps you can take now to protect your status and your future.

What Is the Executive Order?

Under the Trump administration, the new executive order:

- Revokes several key immigration protections put in place by the previous administration, including those focused on **family reunification and humanitarian relief**.
- Mandates all immigration agencies to strictly enforce existing laws, especially in cases involving undocumented entry, visa overstay, or criminal history.
- Prioritizes **the removal of all inadmissible or deportable noncitizens**, regardless of whether they have pending legal cases.

This shift signals a clear return to **aggressive enforcement tactics** previously associated with the **Trump administration's first term**, but now with even broader authority.

U Who Is at Risk?

This new directive is especially important for individuals in the following categories:

- Those with **pending <u>asylum</u> or <u>green</u> <u>card</u> <u>applications</u>.**
- Individuals who entered the U.S. without inspection or **overstayed their visa**.
- Immigrants with **previous deportation orders**, even if they've lived in the U.S. for years.
- Noncitizen spouses or stepchildren of U.S. citizens who lack legal status.
- Families in the middle of **reunification or parole processes**, many of which are now being



dismantled.

The **Trump administration's intensified focus on removals** makes it imperative to consult an attorney if you fall under any of these categories.

ID How Lunel Law Can Help

Lunel Law, under the leadership of **David Lunel**, **Esq.**, provides robust legal support in light of these evolving challenges. Our services include:

- Defense in Deportation & Removal Proceedings
- Asylum & Humanitarian Relief Representation
- Family-Based Immigration Petitions
- Adjustment of Status & Waiver Applications
- Federal Appeals and Litigation

We recognize that the **Trump administration's policy shift** is creating anxiety for thousands of immigrants and families. Our goal is to provide **clear guidance and strong legal advocacy** for those impacted.

What You Should Do Now

To protect yourself and your family, we recommend the following immediate steps:

1. Request a Legal Case Review:

If you're unsure about your immigration status or have pending applications, speak with a qualified attorney now.

- 2. **Organize Your Documents:** Keep copies of identification, prior applications, and immigration history in a safe, accessible place.
- 3. Follow Verified Updates:

Rely on trustworthy sources like <u>USCIS.gov</u> and professional legal advisories, not rumors or social media posts.



4. Comply with All Legal Obligations:

Show up to all USCIS appointments, immigration court hearings, and biometric screenings. Missing one can have severe consequences under the **Trump** administration's zero-tolerance approach.

| Final Thoughts

The **Trump administration's 2025 immigration order** reflects a renewed emphasis on enforcement and detention over integration and relief. But this does not mean hope is lost. With the right legal guidance, many individuals can still find protection, pathways to residency, or defend against deportation.

Lunel Law remains deeply committed to supporting immigrants from around the world—whether you're applying for asylum, adjusting your status, or facing deportation. We're here to stand by your side and help you move forward.

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