



**U.S. Citizenship  
and Immigration  
Services**

**Non-Precedent Decision of the  
Administrative Appeals Office**

In Re: 28105055

Date: SEP. 15, 2023

Appeal of Vermont Service Center Decision

Form I-360, Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant (Abused Spouse of U.S. Citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident)

The Petitioner seeks immigrant classification as an abused spouse of a U.S. citizen under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) provisions codified at section 204(a)(1)(A)(iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1154(a)(1)(A)(iii).

The Director of the Vermont Service Center denied the petition, concluding that the record did not establish that the Petitioner was in a qualifying relationship at the time of filing his Form I-360, Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant (VAWA petition). Following the denial of his VAWA petition, the Petitioner filed two identical appeals. We have reviewed and adjudicated the merits of one of the Petitioner's appeals, and as such, this second appeal is moot.

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed.