## **Dora: Interview Assignment for Immigration Law**

Task: You are to prepare for interviewing one of two clients. If your last name is A-F, you will interview Dora. If your last name is H-Z, you will interview Fatou.

Prepare a list of 15-20 questions you will need when you sit down to interview your client. Assume that this is the client's first meeting with an immigration paralegal.

Dora will need a completed Form I-589 and supplement statement (see sample on page 214). Petition for U Non-immigrant Status and Form I-918, Supplement B, U Non-immigrant Status Certification.

Hence, your questions should focus on information you might need to fill out the necessary paperwork. You are not required to fill out any paperwork for this assignment.

Also, include a list of documents the client should bring for the interview (if she is able to locate them).

This assignment is due March 23 at 11:59 pm.

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Immigration Students FROM: Professor Fiorentino DATE: February 19, 2025

RE: Dora, possible asylum claim

Dora, 21 years old, is from Honduras and is a member of the Libre Party, which is a party that opposes the current administration and President. The head of the Libre Party is the former President of Honduras who was ousted in a military coup. The current President is a fierce opponent of the Libre Party.

Dora is a student activist who is in her next to last year of secondary school. She had planned to go to University to study law, but because she felt she was in danger of arrest or being killed, dropped out of school. During secondary school, she worked part-time in a doctor's office. Dora has organized a number of peaceful protests because she believes she must speak out against injustice. She believes the current President is collaborating with narco traffickers and gangs and cannot trust the police or anyone in government.

Dora says she is a visible leader, and that many of her friends and members of the Libre Party have been arrested or killed by "death squads"—assumed to be government agents. She has been followed by unmarked cars. Often the police try to frame students in order to arrest them; for example, once the police approached her and other demonstrators and placed Molotov cocktails in front of them and took their picture. She was then told by the police that unless she stops protesting she will "disappear." Dora had to hide out in various parts of the country, but always, strange cars without license plates followed her. She decided it was not safe in Honduras and came to the United States and presented herself to immigration officials at San Ysidro and asked for asylum.

Based on these facts, please prepare a list of questions you may want to ask Dora in order to prepare an asylum application. You will not complete the actual application but you should be familiar with which materials that the client will be required to file.