

Interview Assignment for Immigration Law Task: Fatou

1. Are you comfortable with your understanding of English? Do you need an interpreter?
2. What documents did you bring with you (include expired)? (Observe if any of the documents are in a different language than English. Inquire if she can get any more of the other documents she needs or if anyone else has them, obviously if needed.)
3. Can we review the information needed for the I-918 Petition for U Nonimmigrant Status form? (Review document to input or correct.)
4. How many times were you physically hit by your husband? (Ask about dates, time of day, and locations. Inquire about exactly what the domestic abuse was: slap, kick, punching and how severe they were? Ask if she ever sought medical care such as going to the emergency room or medical facility after the physical abuse, and if yes, does she have any documentation?)
5. Do you have any pictures of your injuries?
6. What types of threats did your husband make to you? (Delve into details such as what types of threats were made, mood, if drugs were taken during the intimidations, etc.)
7. Are there people that saw the abuses that can testify?
8. Were you in fear for your life?
9. Did you get a police report? (Are you willing to get a police report?)
10. Has your husband been in trouble with the law before? (Ask for specifics.)
11. Have you ever seen a medical professional, mental health counselor, or other professional person after your domestic and/or emotional abuse? (If yes, do you have any documentation?)
12. Do you have a police record, or have you ever been charged with a crime including in Senegal? (Ask probing questions to determine a complete understanding of any criminal history.)
13. Did you participate in selling marijuana with your husband? (Inquire if she helped with delivery of the drug or helped her husband in any way to sell drugs. Seek to find out the degree of her involvement and try to determine how much she knows about the illegal behavior.)
14. Would you be willing to assist in a criminal investigation on your husband?
15. Are you aware that you need to have a certificate of helpfulness (I-918, Supplement B, U Nonimmigrant Status Certification) from law enforcement or other governing body such as an immigration officer as part of your case? (Explain how this form shows that she has/will been helpful to the investigation about the illegal acts of her husband.)
16. Are you aware that you are not required to testify but you can not refuse to testify if you are called on?
17. Do you have any accounts in your name? (phone, bank accounts, etc.)
18. Do you have a job? (Are you on public assistance or getting financial help from anyone else? Seek to find out about her realistic financial situation.)

19. Are you eligible to return to Senegal, or can you receive help from family members that are safe in the United States?
20. Do you have any other evidence or information that may be helpful to your case?

Documents needed:

1. Passport (include expired)
2. Any ID she has (include expired)
3. Police report
4. Any relevant documentation she has pertaining to her case
5. Birth certificate

(all documents must be translated)