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What Does That Stand For?

Important immigration law acronyms

BIA = Board of Immigration Appeals

CAA = Cuban Adjustment Act

CBP = Customs and Border Patrol

EAD = employment authorization document/work permit

EOIR = Executive Office of Immigration Review

EWI = entry without inspection

HRIFA = Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act

ICE = Immigration and Customs Enforcement

INA = Immigration and Nationality Act

IIRIRA = Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act

LPR = lawful permanent resident

NACARA = Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act

NVC = National Visa Center

USC = United States citizen

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USCIS = United States Citizenship and Immigration Services

USDOS = United States Department of State

VAWA = Violence Against Women Act

VAWA 1994 = enacted as Title IV of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994
Authorization Amounts

VAWA 2000 = Division B of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000

VAWA 2005 = The Violence Against Women Act and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act
of 2005

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