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Executive Office for Immigration Review to Temporarily Reduce Hours at its Cleveland and Philadelphia Immigration Courts

FALLS CHURCH, VA – The Executive Office for Immigration Review today announced plans to reduce court operation hours at its Cleveland and Philadelphia immigration courts during upcoming presidential nominating conventions to be held in each city.

The Cleveland Immigration Court will close at noon each day from July 18, 2016, through July 21, 2016, and the Philadelphia Immigration Court will close at noon each day from July 25, 2016, through July 28, 2016.

Both immigration courts will accept Motions for a Telephonic Appearance, consistent with Chapters 4.6 and 4.7 of the [Immigration Court Practice Manual](#). The immigration courts' filing windows will remain open throughout these reduced operating hours.

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The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) is an agency within the Department of Justice. Under delegated authority from the Attorney General, immigration judges and the Board of Immigration Appeals interpret and adjudicate immigration cases according to United States immigration laws. EOIR's immigration judges conduct administrative court proceedings in immigration courts located throughout the nation. They determine whether foreign-born individuals – whom the Department of Homeland Security charges with violating immigration law – should be ordered removed from the United States or should be granted relief from removal and be permitted to remain in this country. The Board of Immigration Appeals primarily reviews appeals of decisions by immigration judges. EOIR's Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer adjudicates immigration-related employment cases. EOIR is committed to ensuring fairness in all of the cases it adjudicates.