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Under special immigration law provisions, **members and certain veterans of the U.S. armed forces and their dependents (spouses and children) may be eligible for U.S. citizenship including expedited and overseas processing. Certain general naturalization requirements may be waived or diminished.**

Among meeting other requirements, a military-service applicant may apply for naturalization having served honorably in active-duty status, or as a member of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve for any amount of time during a designated period of hostilities; and have been separated honorably if separated from the U.S. armed forces. Other military-service members who have served honorably in the U.S. armed forces at any time may apply for naturalization upon meeting certain requirements.

Additionally, **it is possible for posthumous naturalization** (naturalization after

death) if the individual served honorably in the US. Armed forces, and died due to injury or disease incurred while serving in an active duty status during specified periods of military hostilities.

Normally, individuals of U.S. armed forces and military services that qualify for the citizenship provisions above are in the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guards, and certain components of the National Guard, and the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve.

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