

Bank guarantee for spouses of Cyprus citizens

Question:

I am a citizen of Moldova. I'm married to a Cypriot for more than five years. When he gave me an invitation to travel to Cyprus, he paid a bail for me. When this bail will be returned? I do not have Cypriot passport, I'm residing here with pink-slips.

Response:

Most likely, you mean a bank guarantee, which is necessary to cover the costs in case of possible deportation of a foreign citizen. Based on the recent changes made to the legislation regarding the spouses of citizens of the Republic of Cyprus, the bank guarantee is no longer required for the registration of documents. Accordingly, you can apply to the Department of Civil Registry and Migration for a refund of the deposit. There are two forms necessary for submitting, you can request them in abovementioned organization. Among other things, it would be very useful for all your future procedures to inform the Immigration Office in your city that you are the spouse of a citizen of Cyprus, and to provide them a copy of your marriage certificate.