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Homosexual Is Denied Citizenship in U.S.

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A three-judge Federal appeals panel has ruled, 2 to 1, that <u>homosexual</u> aliens should not be allowed entry into the <u>United States</u> and therefore cannot become citizens.

Richard John Longstaff, a British national who lives in Dallas, was a <u>homosexual</u> when he came to the <u>United States</u> in 1965, making his entry illegal, the <u>United States</u> Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit ruled Wednesday. Federal court, New Orleans, rules <u>homosexual</u> aliens may not become US citizens, Richard John Longstaff application (**S**)The ruling upheld that of the Federal Northern District Court in Texas.

The appeals court, in a 31-page opinion, said it interpreted the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 to mean **homosexuals** should be **denied** entry into country. Legal entry is required for naturalization, which Mr. Longstaff was seeking.

The three-judge panel did not rule on whether Mr. Longstaff should be deported.

Mr. Longstaff, 43 years old, who owns two clothing and hairdressing shops in Dallas, argued that he had entered the country legally since no medical determination of his homosexuality was made at the time he received his visa.

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