**FAMILY BASED PERMANENT RESIDENCE**  
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U.S. law allows individuals who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents to sponsor certain family members for permanent residence. Below is a listing of the eligible individuals:

| I. U.S. Citizens can sponsor | a. Husband or wife (no quota)  
|                             | b. Unmarried child under 21 years of age (no quota)  
|                             | c. Unmarried son or daughter over 21  
|                             | d. Married son or daughter of any age  
|                             | e. Brother or sister, **if the sponsor is at least 21 years old**, or  
|                             | f. Parent, **if the sponsor is at least 21 years old. (no quota)**  
| II. U.S. Permanent Residents can sponsor | a. Husband or wife, or  
|                                          | b. Unmarried son or daughter of any age.  
| III. Preference Categories | **First preference**: Unmarried, adult sons and daughters of U.S. citizens. Adult means 21 years of age or older.  
|                             | **Second Preference**: Spouses of lawful permanent residents, their unmarried children (under twenty-one), and the unmarried sons and daughters of lawful permanent residents.  
|                             | **Third Preference**: Married sons and daughters of U.S. Citizens.  
|                             | **Fourth Preference**: Brothers and sisters of adult (over 21) U.S. Citizens.  

*NOTE:* This chart is a summary only and does not contain all of the technical information related to these visas. For further information, please contact the following McCandlish Holton Immigration Practice Group Attorneys:

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