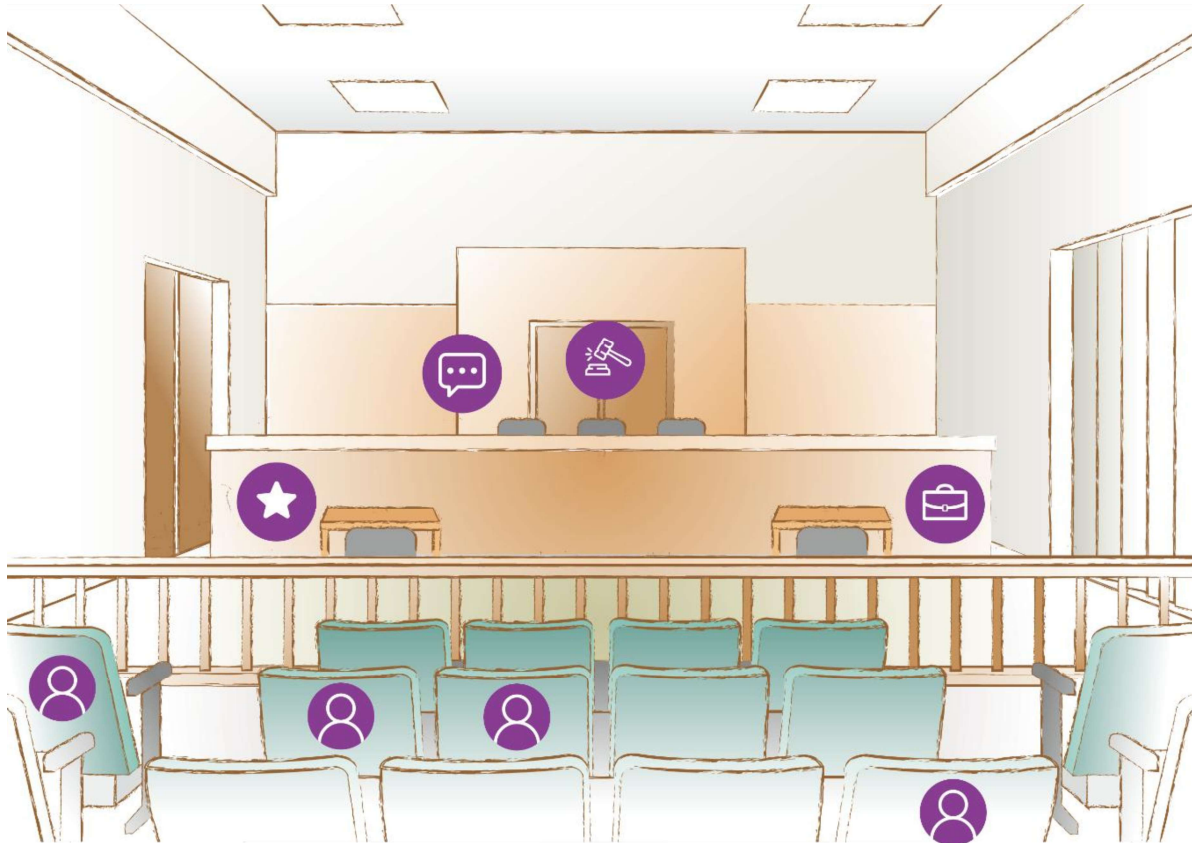


Who is in the courtroom during my hearing?



You. Your job is to tell the judge why you should stay in the United States.



Government lawyer. Their job is to get you deported. They are your opponent. They may be in the courtroom or on a video screen.



Judge. Their job is to listen to you and the government lawyer. The judge is the person who decides if you will be deported. They are neutral. They may be in the courtroom or on a video screen.



Interpreter. A person to help you communicate with the court in the language you are most comfortable using. They might be in the courtroom or on a video screen.



People sitting in the back of the courtroom. They could be waiting for their own hearings. They could also be volunteers there to make sure rights aren't violated.