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Submitted by Chief Editor on Oct 27th 2017

I was on H-4 visa from Feb 2014 till Dec 2015. I was on H-1 visa from Dec 2015 to April 2017. In April my H-1B transfer got denied. Hence I applied for change of status from here (April 15 2017) and now my H-4 application is under process. In Dec 2016 (while I was on H-1B visa), I had applied for GC in EB2 category with my employer. My employer told me that my labor has been approved.

- 1: Is there a website where we can check the status of labor if it has been approved?
- 2: When can I file for I-140? Is it true that it has to be filed within 180 days of labor approval?
- 3: Can my GC application continue whilst being on H-4 visa?
- 4: Does the GC process, at any stage, require the applicant to be on H-1 visa?
- 5: I am planning to start Canada PR procedure. Will my GC application interfere with Canada PR at any point?

### **ANSWER:**

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1. You have to go through your lawyer or your employer. You won't have access to it, but definitely, there is a website.

2. Within 180 days of the labor approval.
3. Yes of course.
4. It does not.
5. I don't see any problem with it, I know that at the border the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) sees that you have got two permanent residence applications going on sometimes they can raise a stink about it but in my opinion that's completely unjustified. [More...](#) [2]

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