

What does "War in Any Form" mean? You live in the nuclear age, 1967. It is in this context that you may base your claim. You cannot be expected to express your opinion on all present and future wars by making a statement about the past. Furthermore, it is impossible to know how you would act if faced with a hypothetical situation.

Even though you don't think you have a good case, apply. It won't hurt to try. A C.O. must, unless otherwise deferred, fulfill a two-year obligation of non-military service.

PRIORITIES

You are "always" given the lowest possible classification, which means the better deferment. Applying for conscientious objector status will not hurt a I-Y or II-S deferment. Remember, I-Y and II-S are not permanent classifications.

LEAVING THE COUNTRY

If you leave the country while draftable you should leave a forwarding address and notify your board that you have left. You don't have to apply for permission to leave. Don't, since applying for permission can tip them off that you are planning to leave and they may call you before you go. (It is also not good to leave once refused permission.) If permission is granted, though, you need not worry about induction during your stay abroad (if not greater than the period requested in your request.)

Under 18--If you are out of the country on your eighteenth birthday you are required by law to register at the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate. Your local board will be #100 in Washington, D.C. Local Board #100 has not been drafting guys as long as they have remained out of the country. If you return, your position is the same as if you had never left except that you cannot be called after your 26th birthday unless you have received a deferment (and therefore are eligible for service, but relatively safe, until age 35).

Canada--Because Canada is nearby, similar to the United States, and has no draft (and therefore will not extradite draft law violators), many young men have emigrated to Canada to avoid the draft. There are several important points about emigration to Canada which you should know. This is just a brief summary of complicated, changing regulations and practices. You should obtain more information before you try to leave.

YOU CANNOT RETURN WITHOUT RISKING ARREST if you had to leave after your eighteenth birthday to avoid the draft. You will face the same charges that you left to avoid.

THERE ARE CERTAIN CLASSES OF PEOPLE THAT ARE PROHIBITED, under the Immigration

Act, **FROM ENTERING CANADA**. These include narcotics and marijuana violators, convicts, those who are likely to become public charges, and those who commit or have committed "moral turpitude." There are exceptions and inconsistencies. To see if you qualify you should write one of the addresses below.

YOU CAN BE DEPORTED if you misbehave or **IF YOU FALSIFY YOUR WRITTEN APPLICATION** for entry.

You can apply for citizenship in five years.

YOU MUST APPLY FOR LANDED IMMIGRANT STATUS BEFORE MOVING TO CANADA. Although you can apply when crossing the border, it is better to apply by mail to the nearest Canadian consulate. Apply soon. It takes a long time to get an answer. It is good to arrange a job, housing, and references before you apply. (The addresses below may help.) Such arrangements help in getting your application accepted; and if it's refused, you cannot re-apply for six months. You can move to Canada anytime during the six month period following acceptance. It is therefore suggested, if you think you might need to move to Canada, that you apply for landed immigrant status now. If refused, you can apply again in six months. If accepted, you can move during the next six months or you can take a short trip to Canada, pick up a card verifying your landed immigrant status, return to the United States, and emigrate whenever you need to.

If you apply at the border you should carry marriage documents, birth certificate, etc. You should withdraw your application if it looks like it is going to be refused (so you can apply again within six months). It is better to cross in the East, where the politics are better, and in the plains provinces, where they need field workers, miners, etc. (You indicate you are interested in this kind of work, but you need not stay in the area and you need not do that kind of work.)

Travel the border clean. Canadian officials will conduct a thorough search of your car at the border, and although U.S. officials don't check you at the border, highway patrolmen may illegally search you on the highway. Carry an old draft card indicating a deferment for the American cops. Some have turned back I-A registrants on the highway leading toward Canada.

For information on emigration to Canada, contact:
Committee to Aid American War Objectors
Box 4231
Vancouver 9, B.C.

Student Union for Peace Action
658 Spadina Ave.
Toronto 4, Ontario