



PRESS RELEASE

FATA Automation's Newest Project Manager Prepares to Become a U.S. Citizen

Naturalization Oath of Allegiance to the United States of America to take place in January 2022

Auburn Hills, MI December 15, 2021: In January 2022, Greg Gallant, FATA Automation's newest project manager, will be participating in a very special ceremony, that as he put it, many people take for granted. He will officially become a U.S. citizen with his pledge to the Naturalization Oath of Allegiance to the United States of America.

"My patriotism for the United States is at an ultimate high," Gallant declared. "I am excited and have a great sense of pride becoming an American."

The official preparation took over 11 months through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security with all of the COVID challenges. Greg had to pass a two-part citizenship test with all of its civics components, which opened up his understanding of how we became the greatest nation on Earth. But Greg's journey dates back to when he started his career in the material handling industry in 1996 in Canada as a young project engineer. To lawfully be employed in the U.S., Greg had to obtain work visas because he was a Canadian citizen.

After four years of travelling between Canada and the U.S., he chose to move from his hometown of Windsor, Ontario, and took up residence in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Like many immigrants following 9/11, he experienced the challenges of working in the States and almost moved back. He was able to stick with it and successfully continued his career path which eventually lead him into project management.



Greg eventually moved to Michigan, got married to his wife Leslie, started a family with the birth of their daughter, Emily, and got a green card. The true American Dream... Almost...

Something was missing. Because they were born here, both his wife and daughter shared the common thread that connects all Americans - the values of freedom, liberty, equality and all of the rights and liberties that come with being a U.S. Citizen. And that was a driving force for Greg to take this path to become an American.

"What I am looking forward to the most is to be able to do things people just take for granted - being able to vote in U.S. elections," Gallant said.

What was one of the first things Greg did after he passed his Naturalization test? He bought a special flag of the United States of America that he proudly displays in his office in Auburn Hills.

"I'm proud to be able to say that I will be a citizen of the United States of America," Gallant proclaimed.

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Naturalization Oath of Allegiance to the United States of America

"I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, of whom or which I have heretofore been a subject or citizen; that I will support and defend the constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will bear arms on behalf of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform noncombatant service in the armed forces of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform work of national importance under civilian direction when required by the law; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; so help me God."