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Chapter 1 : Immigration News: Green Card, Visa, Citizenship and More - July and August of

I appreciate the opportunity to appear before the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims to discuss the Immigration and Naturalization Service's (INS) implementation of its system to monitor foreign students studying in the United States.

The mother had married a U. Four years later, neither had any resolution. To make matters worse, the daughter had just had a child of her own, but could not marry the father until her immigration status was corrected. Johnstone Adams approach and solution: We agreed to do the case pro bono and immediately used our contacts with AILA American Immigration Lawyers Association to determine the status of the pending petitions. A few short months later, both received their green cards in the mail. Foreign Student Issue Resolved We were contacted by an embassy when one of its foreign nationals, in the U. Our client was enrolled at a university when he abruptly needed to return home. He did so after speaking with the designated school official DSO at his university and was assured that doing so was not a problem. He returned to the U. Apparently, a miscommunication with the DSO had resulted in the termination of his student visa. We immediately sprang into action, driving to the facility and interviewing our new client. After getting the facts, we advised him on what to expect to help calm his nerves. We then requested a hearing with an immigration judge to set a bond amount, which ICE had refused to set. We were able to get bond set and secure the release of our client. Now we had to rectify the alleged immigration transgression. The university was not cooperating with our client, so we assisted him in finding a new school in which to enroll. We coordinated our efforts with the DSO at the new institution while simultaneously requesting the reinstatement of his student status from U. Ultimately, USCIS reinstated our client, he continued on with his studies at the new institution, and the removal proceedings against him were terminated. We handle cases throughout the region, thanks to advanced software that allows us to securely engage with our remote clients. We care about our clients and want the best result possible, so every matter is reviewed by multiple attorneys to make sure we are presenting your strongest case.

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Improve the quality, timeliness, and utility of DHS immigration statistical data and analysis. Improve the dissemination of OIS products to inform policy-makers, Congress, and the public. Serve as an in-house DHS think-tank on immigration issues. Maintain a high-quality, motivated workforce and provide the environment to support it. The Yearbook also presents data on immigration enforcement actions, including alien apprehensions, removals, and returns. LPRs may accept an offer of employment without special restrictions, own property, receive financial assistance at public colleges and universities, and join the Armed Forces. They also may apply to become U. The Immigration and Nationality Act INA provides several broad classes of admission for foreign nationals to gain LPR status, the largest of which focuses on admitting immigrants for the purpose of family reunification. Other major categories include economic and humanitarian immigrants, as well as immigrants from countries with relatively low levels of immigration to the United States. An asylee is a person who meets the definition of refugee and is already present in the United States or is seeking admission at a port of entry. Refugees are required to apply for Lawful Permanent Resident "green card" status one year after being admitted, and asylees may apply for green card status one year after their grant of asylum. Department of State on the numbers and demographic profiles of persons admitted to the United States as refugees, and those applying for and granted asylum status during a given fiscal year. After naturalization, foreign-born citizens enjoy nearly all of the same benefits, rights, and responsibilities that the Constitution gives to native-born U. The Office of Immigration Statistics OIS Annual Flow Reports on naturalization contain information obtained from naturalization applications on the number and characteristics of persons aged 18 years and older who became naturalized US citizens during a given fiscal year. The major purposes for which nonimmigrant admission may be authorized include temporary visits for business or pleasure, academic or vocational study, temporary employment, or to act as a representative of a foreign government or international organization, among others. The Office of Immigration Statistics OIS Annual Flow Reports on nonimmigrants contain information obtained from I arrival records on the number and characteristics of nonimmigrant admissions to the United States during a given fiscal year. Primary responsibility for the enforcement of immigration law within DHS rests with U. CBP enforces immigration laws at and between the ports of entry, ICE is responsible for interior enforcement and for detention and removal operations, and USCIS adjudicates applications and petitions for immigration and naturalization benefits. The Office of Immigration Statistics OIS annual Immigration Enforcement Actions reports contain information obtained from CBP and ICE case records and processed by OIS to describe the number and characteristics of foreign nationals found inadmissible, apprehended, arrested, detained, returned, or removed during a given fiscal year. Population estimates take information on immigration flows and may combine it with other counts or estimates, such as those in the U. Terminology, data sources, and methodology may have shifted over time. Current series include population estimates for unauthorized immigrants, nonimmigrants, and lawful permanent residents. The priorities emphasize criminal convictions over criminal arrests, and focus on felonies and significant or multiple misdemeanors over minor infractions of the law. The priorities also focus on forward-looking efforts to further reduce unlawful migration by targeting recent border crossers and those who significantly abuse the visa system. Its mission is to track the agency history and the implementation of federal government immigration policy from "when the federal government first created the Immigration Bureau" through its present time.

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Both the Senate and House of Representatives had passed the Continuing Resolution earlier in the day. The Continuing Resolution allows for the government to reopen through February 8, to provide time for Congress to negotiate a final budget action. Please check back to the "Major Immigration Updates" webpage for continual updates as the negotiations for a final budget approval will include further debates on immigration, border security, and DACA issues. The following are notes to date from multiple sources of the impact of the lapse of federal funding on certain immigration-related operations: Services that remain operational: F-1 and J-1 visa document processing, and related application processing, will continue as usual. Department of State DOS will continue to accept and process visa interview appointments and applications at U. Embassies and Consulates abroad as long as filing fees are sufficient to fund operations. Depending on the length of the shutdown and fee funding availability, DOS could announce changes to visa processing including suspension of all processing or limiting to emergency cases only. It will be important to consult the U. Consulate where you are applying for your visa for continued updates on services. Passport services continue, though some offices may be closed if located in federal buildings that are closed during the shutdown. USCIS offices will remain open and applicants should attend any interviews or appointments as scheduled. Applications that require action from other government agencies will likely be impacted by the shutdown. USCIS did issue a notice that outlines services that will be impacted. The CBP website, however, will not be updated during the shutdown. The ICE website will not be updated during this time. Department of Labor DOL services will be impacted by the shutdown, including that its "website will not be updated due to the suspension of Federal government services. Department of Homeland Security E-Verify system will be taken offline during the shutdown, as its reauthorization was part of the federal budget being considered by Congress. Employers will not be able to access their E-Verify accounts, initiate E-Verify queries or resolve tentative non-confirmations, or meet other E-Verify deadlines, during the shutdown. Employers continue to be required to fulfill all Form I-9 obligations and should not take adverse action against an employee where employment eligibility verification cannot be confirmed in E-Verify due to the shutdown. We will continue to update this webpage as we receive updates from budget negotiations in Congress to end the shutdown. USCIS also announced procedures for nationals of El Salvador with current TPS, that want to maintain their status through the effective termination date, must re-register between January 18, and March 19, USCIS also announced procedures for nationals of Haiti with current TPS, that want to maintain their status through the effective termination date, must re-register between January 18, and March 19, January 16, -- U. Citizenship and Immigration Services issued a notice in response to the federal court order issued to temporarily block the ending of the DACA program. DACA was scheduled to expire on March 5, This ruling will likely face additional appeals by the Trump Administration, so we will continue to update this webpage with a new information we receive it. Read a copy of the ruling in *The Regents of the University of California v. Department of Homeland Security* here. Please find attached a copy of the directive. In recent months, there has been heightened practice at ports-of-entry to do searches of computers, cellphones, tablets, social media accounts etc. Read a copy of the Directive here. December 28, -- U. Embassy in Ankara and the Turkish Embassy in Washington, DC issued statements indicating the full resumption of visa services for nationals of both countries. A statement from the U. Embassy in Ankara is available here. Both Turkish nationals applying for U. December 8, -- U. Department of State posted on its website guidance and frequently asked questions concerning the recent U. Supreme Court ruling that will allow the travel restrictions enacted through the Presidential Proclamation issued on September 24, to go into effect while court appeals continue. To read the

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guidance, please visit the posting on U. Department of State "U. December 4, -- U. Supreme Court issued a ruling staying preliminary injunctions issued by U. District Courts in Hawaii and Maryland that had partially blocked the third version of the travel ban. A copy of the stay granted by the Supreme Court is available here for the case pending with the U. District Court for the District of Maryland and here for the case pending with the U. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. This ruling allows the travel ban Presidential Proclamation issued on September 24, to go fully into effect while the legal challenges against it continue. A summary of the restrictions from the Presidential Proclamation are as follows: Consulates will not be canceled for foreign nationals subject to restrictions based on the Proclamation, and new interviews can be scheduled. During visa interviews, consular officers will determine whether those applicants qualify for an exemption or waiver. Under this new Proclamation [Section 2], certain nationals of the eight designated countries are subject to travel restrictions as summarized below unless exempted or if granted a waiver: No nonimmigrant, immigrant, or Diversity Lottery visas. Other visa holders are subject to verification of traveler information. No restrictions on immigrant or Diversity Lottery visas. November 13, -- U. This decision allows the federal government to impose travel restrictions to the U. Updates will be provided to this webpage following the Trump Administration appeals that will be heard on December 6 in the U. November 9, -- Trump Administration tightens rules on travel to Cuba -- Effective November 9, the Trump Administration has issued new rules that limit travel to and trade with Cuba. Citizens, individual tourist travel to Cuba remains prohibited, while nonacademic educational travel is only allowed through a tour group licensed by the U. Citizens traveling to Cuba are not subject to the same restrictions, such travelers can face additional questions at port-of-entry upon return to the U. November 7, -- U. Embassy and Consulates in Turkey have resumed issuance of nonimmigrant visas to Turkish citizens on a limited basis, with updates on the procedures available on the U. The Turkish Government has similarly announced it will process visas for U. Past practice on review of extension petitions focused only on any significant changes to the previously approved petition or any instances of material error or fraud. Be sure to work closely with your employer to insure proper filing of petitions and planning for longer processing times. October 18, -- Federal Judge Blocks Most Recent Travel Ban -- On October 17, , a federal judge blocked, via a temporary restraining order, the implementation of the Presidential Proclamation travel ban , signed on September 24, The Proclamation was due to take effect on October 18, and created new travel restrictions on nationals of eight countries. See our prior announcement and summary of the Proclamation below dated September 24, We anticipate that U. Consulates and border officials will be given guidance about appropriate processes and procedures following this court decision and we will post updates on this site as information becomes available. In addition, the government has stated that it intends to appeal this decision and we anticipate future court rulings may affect this decision. We will keep you updated about the results of any appeal. Individuals from countries designated in the Presidential Proclamation, who do not have current valid visas for return to the US, are advised to exercise caution when planning any travel, and encouraged to meet with their advisor at the MIT International Students Office or MIT International Scholars Office prior to finalizing any travel plans abroad. To view a copy of the temporary restraining order issued by U. District Court for the District of Hawaii, click here. October 9, -- U. Consulates in Turkey -- On October 9, , the U. Ambassador to Turkey posted a statement and video to the U. Embassy in Turkey website notifying of the suspension of visa services to Turkish nationals at all U. Consulates in Turkey until further notice. The following are the key points communicated: Individuals who hold currently valid U. Consulate outside of Turkey during this time. It is important to note that Turkey has also similarly suspended visa services to U. Citizens seeking visas to Turkey. A statement from the Turkish Government has been posted on the U. Embassy in Turkey website. We will be sure to update you if additional information is provided by the U. These travel restrictions are the result of a U. The designations have been based upon many factors outlined in the Proclamation, including, among other security factors, the failure of the countries to provide sufficient exchange of information on its nationals in visa procedures to determine if they pose national security threats to the U. Please read a copy of the Proclamation here. Individuals subject to travel

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restrictions are advised to consult with the MIT International Students Office international students or MIT International Scholars Office international scholars, postdocs, faculty , for guidance before planning any travel abroad. Effective on September 24, 3: Effective beginning on October 18, Consulates will not be canceled for foreign nationals subject to restrictions based on the Proclamation. The Proclamation also provided the following updates on two countries designated by the previous Executive Order:

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Chapter 4 : Immigration Resources: Immigration Glossary - D

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Accordingly, the Department relies on employers who file labor certification applications to recruit and consider U. The next stakeholder meeting will be held on September 30, at 2: Of the new 3, new USCIS hires, how many are adjudicators or other staff people dedicated to reducing the naturalization backlog? Of the 3, new USCIS positions allocated through the FY Fee Rule and FY Surge Elimination Plan, 1, are Adjudication Officers and are support staffs who are all dedicated to processing all pending including naturalization backlog cases and newly filed immigration applications and petitions. How does this change affect the issuance of N application receipts? There is no change to the issuance of receipts due to this centralization of initial processing. N applicants will continue to receive a receipt from the Service Center to which they have sent their application package. Applicants will continue to file their naturalization applications N , including all supporting documents and fees with the USCIS Service Center having jurisdiction over their place of residence. Applicants will also continue to report to a local field office for the interview and naturalization test. Please clarify whether a year-old child who is filing an I should file a GA. According to 8 CFR A case will not be rejected if the GA is included for a child under However, a new GA and biometrics fee will be requested once the child turns 14 years of age. The RFE process is not extensive for these cases and should not significantly slow down the adjudication of the case. The first three milestones have all been met. As of August 4, the agencies were on target to achieve all four of the remaining milestones. No, not by Michael Phelps "The largest single-workplace immigration raid in U. Some people thought it was a bomb but then we figured out it was immigration. Effective immediately, all petitioners filing a Form I must file with the California or Vermont Service Center, depending on the state in which they reside. Visa Ineligibility for Aliens Who Vote Unlawfully Department of State DOS published the final rule which amended the regulations concerning visa ineligibility for aliens who vote unlawfully. Under INA a 10 D , in general, an alien will continue to be inadmissible, and therefore, ineligible for a visa, if the alien has voted in violation of any Federal, State, or local constitutional provision, statute, ordinance, or regulation. Nevertheless, pursuant to the new exception, the alien shall not be considered to be inadmissible under any provision of this subsection based on such violation if each natural parent of the alien or, in the case of an adopted alien, each adoptive parent of the alien is or was a citizen whether by birth or naturalization , the alien permanently resided in the United States prior to attaining the age of 16, and the alien reasonably believed at the time of such violation that he or she was a citizen. Mexicans Deported from US Face Shattered Lives "Every time the gate slams shut, it wipes out a dream, divides a family, ends a life lived in the shadows of the law. On average, Mexicans expelled from the United States walk through this gate daily, according to Mexican government figures. They include farmers, construction workers, prisoners, nannies, children, entire families. Ten Scanned Fingerprints for Nonimmigrant Visa Application The Department of State DOS published the final rule to amends its regulations relating to the application for a nonimmigrant visa, to generally require all applicants, with certain exceptions, to provide a set of ten scanned fingerprints as part of the application process. The scanning of ten fingerprints of nonimmigrant visa applicants has already been implemented, for the purposes of verifying and confirming identity, conducting background checks, and to ensure that an applicant has not received a visa or entered into the United States under a different name. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ICE says its "Scheduled Departure" program apparently is not working after only eight people turned themselves in during a three-week trial. About , immigrants nationwide who are staying in the U. Procedures for Children Abducted to the United States. This rule amends regulations regarding incoming parental abduction cases pursuant to the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. These changes are being proposed

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in further fulfillment of the commitment made by the Administration last August, after the failure of Congress to pass comprehensive immigration reform, to review and improve temporary worker visa programs using existing authorities. This service is not free, however. This practice advisory focuses on the law governing the arrest, detention and bond procedures for non-citizens who 1 are present in the United States and 2 do not have criminal convictions. EB2 China and India cutoff dates advanced again to August 1, ! Expect Months for Naturalization Applications U. Citizenship and Immigration Services USCIS announced today that it now anticipates naturalization application processing will average months nationally by the end of September - a substantial improvement from its estimated average processing time of months first announced last year. While the new card is more limited in its uses for international travel e. Accordingly, the card may be used for the Form I-9 process and can also be accepted by employers participating in the E-Verify program. The program allows fugitive aliens who have no criminal history and pose no threat to the community an opportunity to remain out of custody while they coordinate their removal with ICE. There are approximately , ICE fugitives in the United States, including , who do not have criminal histories. An ICE fugitive is defined as an alien who has failed to depart the United States based upon a final order of removal, deportation, or exclusion from a U. Only non-criminal fugitive aliens are eligible for the program and will be screened by an ICE officer when reporting to verify status. She worked illegally for eight months, while waiting for an EAD renewal application. The university told her that she could keep working during a day grace period after the expiration of her previous EAD, which turned out to be false. There is still a long way for either bill to become law, but it is a good step in the right direction. The system is up and running today. In lieu of a visa, they currently fill out a paper IW form en route to the U. This is clearly a win-win for all involved. Neufeld Memo on k Section c of the Immigration and Nationality Act establishes eight types of bars to adjustment under Section a. For certain employment-based adjustment applicants, section k grants relief from three 3 of those bars overstay, unauthorized employment, violation of visa terms, etc. Acting Associate Director Donald Neufeld issued this important memo on July 14 to address the applicability of k to those EB adjustment of status applications. ICE Investigating Fake Degrees Used by Fed Employees Immigration officials are looking through a list of more than 9, names to see how many federal employees may have bought a phony high school or college degree from a Spokane, Wash. The list included some people who apparently work for government, educational institutions and the military, according to their e-mail addresses that ended in. Gonzalez, who stepped down in April as the head of U. Citizenship and Immigration Services, had an interview with AP to talk about immigration reform, congress, and his new job. This site will provide a public forum for submission of comments and for requests to amend or issue significant guidance documents. State was unprepared for the record number of passport applications it received in , leading to significant delays in passport processing As a result, reported wait times reached 10 to 12 weeks in the summer of more than double the normal wait-with hundreds of thousands of passports taking significantly longer. GAO recommends that the Secretary of State develop a comprehensive, long-term strategy for passport operations using a business enterprise approach to prioritize and synchronize its planned improvements. GAO also recommends that State track passport applications from the time the applicant submits an application in order to provide better customer service. State took issue with some of the findings in this report , but agreed with its recommendations. BCI will receive and maintain border crossing information on travelers who are admitted or paroled into the United States, this information includes: Certain biographical information; a photograph; certain itinerary information provided by air and sea carriers and any other forms of passenger transportation, including rail, which is or may subsequently be mandated, or is or may be provided on a voluntary basis; and the time and location of the border crossing. This system of records notice does not identify or create any new collection of information, rather, the Department is providing additional notice and transparency with respect to the handling of an existing collection of information, by separately noticing its collection as a distinct system of records. Department of State and the U. Passport Card is in full production and is now being distributed. The Passport Card is a convenient, wallet-sized document for land and sea travel between the

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United States and Mexico, Canada, the Caribbean, and Bermuda. It is not valid for international travel by air. Beginning in June , travelers will be required to present a single Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative-compliant document denoting both citizenship and identity when entering the United States through a land or sea border. The pamphlet is required by the International Marriage Broker Regulation Act of and is intended to help such aliens understand the immigration process and prevent domestic violence. Written comments must be submitted on or before September 19, Recipients will assist discrimination victims; conduct seminars for workers, employers and immigration service providers; distribute educational materials in various languages; and place advertisements in local communities through both mainstream and ethnic media. Here is a map of approved schools. The measures - H. Disbarred Immigration Lawyer Arrested A disbarred San Jose attorney accused of giving legal advice and preparing immigration documents for unsuspecting immigrants has been arrested at his office and charged with multiple felony counts of practicing law without a license and grand theft. Lopez, 50, of San Jose, had a record of disciplinary measures related to his competence as a lawyer, investigators said. Team While politicians continue their heated debate over immigration, Americans will be able to see 33 foreign-born athletes competing in USA uniforms at the Beijing Olympics next month. They include Chinese-born table tennis players, Russian-born world champion gymnast, and several members of the track-and-field team. Immigration Hiring Surge Since October, the agency USCIS has added adjudication officers to its ranks, bringing the total working at immigration offices nationwide to 3, Another are expected to be trained by the end of the year. It has not been uncommon for some immigrants, who pay hundreds of dollars in filing fees, to spend a year or more awaiting a decision on their status. This is great news for many I applicants who have been hit by FBI name checks first, then stuck in visa retrogression for the past few years. Unfortunately all EB3 categories still remain "unavailable. The instructions include changes effective March 5, that require applicants for re-entry permits and refugee travel documents to provide biometrics e. Immigration Statistics Updates Naturalization is the process by which U. After naturalization, foreign-born citizens enjoy nearly all the same benefits, rights and responsibilities that the Constitution gives to native born U. Naturalized citizens can also apply for a U. Department of Homeland Security has just updated the immigration statistics for Naturalization in A legal permanent resident LPR or "green card" recipient is defined by immigration law as a person who has been granted lawful permanent residence in the United States. Permanent resident status confers certain rights and responsibilities. For example, LPRs may live and work permanently anywhere in the United States, own property, and attend public schools, colleges, and universities. They may also join certain branches of the Armed Forces, and apply to become U. Legal Permanent Resident flow by Country of Birth: Citizenship and Immigration Services USCIS announced yesterday that the suspension of premium processing service for religious worker R-1 nonimmigrant visa petitions will continue at least until January 7, A previous six-month suspension was announced on January 4, Supervised recruitment requires the employer to receive advance approval from the department for all recruitment efforts to ensure that U. Alexander Aleinikoff, dean of Georgetown University Law School, who co-authored the first major immigration law casebook in But something vital is missing - their wives.

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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) are extending the joint agency pilot program for Canadian citizens seeking L-1 nonimmigrant status under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) through April 30,

Albans, Vermont and 5 Missouri. The service centers periodically issue lists of their processing times for various types of applications. Our web site contains the latest list issued by each service center. Processing times may appear faster on the official lists than they are in reality. To see how fast or slow your service center is processing a particular type of petition or application, see our Government Processing Times Page at Processing times at INS District Offices may be accessed at <https://www.dhs.gov/processing-times>: Included in the bill are a number of immigration provisions. We focus on two sections of the bill which are of significant interest to many of our readers: The problem is that many persons in H-1B status have been waiting for the approval of labor certification applications for over one year, but their employers cannot submit an I immigrant visa petition on their behalf until the labor certification is approved. The H-1B may be extended until any of the following events occur: In order to benefit from this amendment, it is NOT necessary that the person still be in H-1B status or even be present in the United States. Section 5 of that bill would have expanded and extended the Conrad State Program which allows states to sponsor up to 20 J waivers annually for physicians who agree to practice in medically underserved areas. These articles conclude 1 that these groups are not mass-based, receiving the majority of their funding from a few individuals, and 2 that some of the groups have ties with racist organizations. The report identifies this man as John Tanton, a Michigan ophthalmologist. Tanton started his political activities innocently enough as an environmentalist who focused on overpopulation. The report details his transformation to an anti-immigration zealot and founder of the largest anti-immigration group, the Federation of Americans for Immigration Reform FAIR. The report states that, in , FAIR spun off another Tanton creation, the Center for Immigration Studies, which portrays itself as an impartial think tank and regularly is invited to testify before congressional committees regarding immigration policies. The derogatory references to Latinos in these memos provoked major defections from the anti-immigration movement. Linda Chavez, executive director of U. Similarly, esteemed newsman Walter Cronkite resigned from the board of U. Although FAIR and related anti-immigration groups like to portray themselves as mass organizations in order to enhance their political power, the report contends that their membership numbers are highly inflated and that they are funded by huge contributions from a few wealthy contributors. The report also identifies the following foundations as major contributors: Despite the connection between groups within the Tanton network and racist organizations Please read the report for details. We recommend that our subscribers read the articles and draw their own conclusions.

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Chapter 6 : Hardship for Cancellation of Removal, H-1B, Conrad 30, F-1 Students

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Customs and Border Patrol has issued a warning that U. Citizenship and Immigration Services USCIS or an immigration judge finds a violation or orders the student removed to the date the status lapsed. The complaint states that in , the United States adopted a clear policy governing the implementation of the immigration statute. If the authorized period of stay ended on a date certain on which the individual was required to leave the country, unlawful presence began following that date. And for all individuals, unlawful presence began the day after either a government official or immigration judge made a determination that the individual was out-of-status. This provided well-intentioned individuals an opportunity to cure their circumstances and remain in the country or to depart the country within days. Either way, individuals acting in good faith had an opportunity to avoid imposition of a three- or ten-year reentry bar. Most international students enter the United States on F or M visas, while some enter on J visas, the complaint notes. Many international researchers, scholars, and professors at higher education and research institutions enter the country on J visas for exchange visitors. In general, when F, J, or M visa holders enter the country, they are not supplied with a date certain on which they must depart. That is, unlawful presence begins at the point that an F, J, or M visa holder is provided unequivocal notice that the government believes that the individual is out-of-status. Now, based on the August 9, , USCIS memorandum, when a government official or immigration judge determines that an F, J, or M visa holder is out-of-status, the unlawful-presence clock will be backdated to the day on which the agency concludes that the visa holder first fell out-of-status. This results in concrete, significant harms to colleges and universities, including through the loss of irreplaceable community members, loss of tuition dollars, and loss of trained employees. A copy of the complaint, Guilford College et al. The employer must give the employee an opportunity to take action to resolve the mismatch. If E-Verify cannot instantly confirm employment eligibility, it must manually review government records. E-Verify will try to do this within 48 hours to let the employer know whether or not the employee is authorized to work. Name, Alien Number, Form I number. If the employee chooses not to take action on the TNC, the employer may terminate employment with no civil or criminal liability, E-Verify said. The case can be treated as a Final Nonconfirmation and the employer should close the case in E Verify. For information on this process, see <https://> It is unclear when the draft regulation will appear in the Federal Register. USCIS first proposed a pre-registration system in . The updated policy requires applicants to submit a Form I that is signed by a civil surgeon no more than 60 days before filing the underlying application for an immigration benefit. The Form I would remain valid for a two-year period following the date the civil surgeon signed it. Additionally, requiring submission of an I that was signed no more than 60 days before the date the underlying application was filed may, in some cases, maximize the period of time the I will be valid while the underlying application is under USCIS review, the agency said. CBP noted that although medical and recreational marijuana may be legal in some U. However, if a traveler is found to be coming to the United States for a reason related to the marijuana industry, he or she may be deemed inadmissible. CBP noted that the burden of proof is on the Canadian citizen. The CBP notice is at <https://> Additional information is at <https://> Reportedly, she wishes to obtain permanent residence and eventual U. Carreira is a citizen and national of Canada currently lawfully present in the United States as an athlete performing at an internationally recognized level of performance. The team has won multiple national and international gold and silver medals in various competitions. Michael Piston, counsel for Ms. There are potentially some very big immigration changes ahead, some of which may not be obvious initially. The process is slow and even a final rule could be subject to a court challenge. Among other things, the Trump administration intends to propose a new rule in fall establishing a maximum period of

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authorized stay for international students and certain other nonimmigrants. The administration is proposing to eliminate concurrent filings of visa petitions, Is, and adjustments of status. Below is a summary of the immigration-related highlights from several agencies. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposed that all aliens provide biometric identifiers at entry and upon departure at any air and sea port of entry at which facilities exist to collect such information. DHS plans to publish an advanced notice of proposed rulemaking to solicit public input on proposals that would increase monitoring and oversight of the EB-5 program as well as encourage investment in rural areas. DHS would solicit feedback on proposals associated with redefining components of the job creation requirement, and defining conditions for regional center designations and operations. Inadmissibility on Public Charge Grounds proposed rule stage: DHS will propose regulatory provisions guiding the inadmissibility determination on whether an alien is likely at any time to become a public charge. This rule proposes to establish an electronic registration program for petitions subject to numerical limitations for the H-1B nonimmigrant classification. This action is being considered because the demand for H-1B specialty occupation workers by U. The Department intends to publish an additional proposed rule in The proposal may include a modified selection process, as outlined in Executive Order , Buy American and Hire American. Requirements for Filing Motions and Administrative Appeals proposed rule stage: This rule also proposes additional changes necessitated by the establishment of DHS and its components. The proposed changes are intended to promote simplicity, accessibility, and efficiency in the administration of USCIS appeals and motions. DHS will propose to update its regulations to eliminate multiple references to specific biometric types, and to allow for the expansion of the types of biometrics required to establish and verify an identity. DHS will also propose to modify age restrictions where they exist to detect, deter, or prevent human trafficking of children; establish consistent identity enrollment and verification policies and processes; and align USCIS biometric collection with other immigration operations. On February 25, , DHS published a final rule extending eligibility for employment authorization to certain H-4 dependent spouses of H-1B nonimmigrants who are seeking employment-based lawful permanent resident LPR status. DHS is publishing this notice of proposed rulemaking to amend that final rule. DHS is proposing to remove from its regulations certain H-4 spouses of H-1B nonimmigrants as a class of aliens eligible for employment authorization. USCIS is currently engaging in a fee review. The results of that fee review may result in a need to adjust the fee schedule for requesting immigration benefits from USCIS. Electronic Processing of Immigration Benefit Requests proposed rule stage: DHS will propose to: Employment Authorization Documents for Asylum Applicants proposed rule stage: The T nonimmigrant classification was designed for eligible victims of a severe form of trafficking in persons who aid law enforcement with their investigation or prosecution of the traffickers, and who can establish that they would suffer extreme hardship involving unusual and severe harm if they were removed from the United States. This rule finalizes the interim final rule published in December , which streamlined application procedures and responsibilities for DHS, provided guidance to the public on how to meet the requirements to obtain T nonimmigrant status, and implemented legislative amendments to the T nonimmigrant status provisions in the INA. Removal of International Entrepreneur Parole Program final rule stage: In January , DHS proposed to amend its regulations governing the employment-based fifth preference EB-5 immigrant investor classification. In general, under the EB-5 program, individuals are eligible to apply for lawful permanent residence in the United States if they make the necessary investment in a commercial enterprise in the United States and create or, in certain circumstances, preserve 10 permanent full-time jobs for qualified U. This rule sought public comment on a number of proposed changes to the EB-5 program regulations. Such proposed changes included raising the minimum investment amount; allowing certain EB-5 petitioners to retain their original priority date; changing the designation process for targeted employment areas; and other miscellaneous changes to filing and interview processes. Implementation of the Northern Mariana Islands U. Workforce Act of final rule stage: Workforce Act of , which President Trump signed on July 24, The stated purpose of the act is to increase the percentage of U. It also provides additional criteria for CW beneficiaries and their employers.

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Privacy Act of In the proposed rulemaking, DHS sought public comment on its proposal to exempt the system of records from one or more provisions of the Privacy Act because of criminal, civil, and administrative enforcement requirements. This is a proposal to amend DHS regulations pertaining to nonimmigrants admitted to the United States as temporary visitors for business B-1 or pleasure B The proposed amendments will clarify the criteria for according B-1 or B-2 nonimmigrant classification to applicants for admission to the United States. This rule proposes amendments to DHS regulations to establish a user fee to cover the inspection costs of processing U. Additionally, this rule proposes to update the regulation regarding the establishment of projects for the charging of a land border fee for inspection services. Collection of Biometric Data from U. DHS is required by statute to develop and implement an integrated, automated entry and exit data system to match records, including biographic data and biometrics of aliens entering and departing the United States. In addition, Executive Order , Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States, states that DHS is to expedite the completion and implementation of a biometric entry-exit tracking system. Although the current regulations provide that DHS may require certain aliens to provide biometrics when entering and departing the United States, they only authorize DHS to collect biometrics from certain aliens upon departure under pilot programs at land ports and at up to 15 airports and seaports. To provide the legal framework for CBP to begin a comprehensive biometric entry-exit system, DHS is amending the regulations to remove the references to pilot programs and the port limitation. Return to Territory final rule stage: Executive Order , section 7, Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Improvements, requires the DHS Secretary to take appropriate action to ensure that aliens described in section b 2 C of the INA are returned to the territory from which they came pending a formal removal proceeding. This rulemaking proposes to amend 8 CFR Currently, aliens from VWP countries must provide certain biographic information to U. DHS proposes to exempt portions of the system of records from one or more provisions of the Privacy Act because of criminal, civil, and administrative enforcement requirements. Government to seek termination of the FSA and litigation concerning its enforcement. Visa Security Program Fee proposed rule stage: In , SEVP conducted a comprehensive fee study and determined that current fees do not recover the full costs of the services provided. ICE has determined that adjusting fees is necessary to fully recover the increased costs of SEVP operations and program requirements, and to provide the necessary funding to sustain initiatives critical to supporting national security. The final rule will adjust fees for individuals and organizations. ETA is amending regulations regarding the H-2A non-immigrant visa program. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking NPRM will establish standards and procedures for employers seeking to hire foreign temporary nonagricultural workers for certain itinerant job opportunities, including entertainers and carnivals and utility vegetation management. Northern Mariana Islands U. The bill was signed into law on July 24,

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In a new lawsuit filed in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina, several institutions of higher education have challenged a recently announced Trump administration policy, effective August 9, , changing the calculation of the number of days of "unlawful presence" for nonimmigrant foreign students from the date U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

The document which describes the batch interface specifications which school and program sponsor computer systems must meet if they wish to use the batch interface method of communicating with SEVIS. Immigration Status The type of status e. Immigration status is often confused with visa status. A division of the U. An USCIS form issued by authorized schools to certify the academic admission of a foreign national student to a program of study. This form is used by prospective students to apply for an F-1 visa and, if the visa is granted, to apply for admission to the U. J-1 The type of visa given by U. Consulates and the type of immigration status given by the USCIS to foreign nationals who intend to be or are. M-1 The type of visa given by U. Consulates and the type of immigration status given by the USCIS to foreign nationals who intend to be or are: A cross-platform file format by Adobe which insures print fidelity. A series of technologies which includes digital identity, signatures, and authentication. POE Port of Entry. Program Sponsors Schools and organizations authorized by the DOS Exchange Visitor Program to sponsor educational, cultural, and professional development programs in the U. Department of State DOS to be the primary person responsible for advising, counseling, and assisting J-1 exchange visitors in relation to federal law and regulation, for executing federal forms related to the status and activities of such individuals, and for supervising the activities of Alternate Responsible Officers AROs. See description under that title. The federal government program designed to facilitate and monitor the activities of F-1 and M-1 students, and J-1 exchange visitors. The information system which facilitates the transmission of data on F-1 and M-1 students, and J-1 exchange visitors, to and from the federal government. This test is being initiated in early The form issued by authorized exchange visitor program sponsors e. This form is used by prospective exchange visitors to apply for a J-1 visa and, if the visa is granted, to apply for admission to the U. Department of State DOS. Visa A document placed by a U. Consulates to foreign nationals who apply for and are granted a visa to come to the U. A foreign national who is physically present in the U. For correct visa terminology, see Visa Classification and Immigration Status. A commonly used format for the exchange of data.

Chapter 8 : Immigration and Naturalization Service's (INS's) Implementation of the Foreign Student Progra

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Step 1: If an Immigration Judge (IJ) or the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) granted you TPS, you must provide USCIS with proof of the TPS grant (such as a final order from the IJ or final decision from the BIA) when you file for your first TPS benefit (such as an EAD, travel authorization, or with your first TPS re-registration application).