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Physician Visas: What You Need To Know Now

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Seminar Outline

FIRST Phone Session on Dec 21, 2006: How to Immigrate as a Physician

- Credentialing and licensing: What does it take to be a US doctor? (ECFMG, residency, USMLE)
- Entering to get credentialed
 - B Visas
 - F Visa - study centers
- Training
 - J-1 Visa - how to get it (no more researcher to doctor switch)
 - J-2 spouses
 - H Visa - What's really required to be an H-1B resident? Which programs are subject to the H-1B cap?
 - O Visa Can it work for a "training" position?
- J-1 Waivers
 - HPSAs, MUAs, MHPASAs - understanding shortage areas
 - Which federal government agencies sponsor waivers?

SECOND Phone Session on Jan 18, 2007: Hs, Os and Green Cards for Physicians

- J-1 Waivers
 - I'm a specialist, where can I go?
 - State 30 programs
 - Waiver procedures - nuts and bolts
 - Interaction of J waiver and NIW for underserved areas
 - The impact of bi-specialization on waiver processing
- H-1Bs
 - Basic requirements
 - Cap issues for MDs
 - Prevailing wage determinations
 - Self-employment
- Os and other alternative non-immigrant categories
- Labor Certifications
- National Interest Waivers
- Other green card categories

THIRD Phone Session on Feb 1, 2007: Nurses and Legislative Update

- Nurses
 - Non-immigrant options
 - Green card options – impact of retrogression
 - Credentialing update
 - Consular processing issues
- Legislative Update – The impact of comprehensive immigration reform on health care professions

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About the Speakers

Gregory Siskind (co-discussion leader) is the founding partner of Siskind Susser and has been practicing immigration law since 1990. Since he started Siskind Susser in 1994, he has become one of the best-known immigration lawyers in the country. After graduating magna cum laude from Vanderbilt University, Gregory Siskind went on to receive his law degree from the University of Chicago. For the past several years, he has been an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. He recently served as chairman of the AILA Physicians Committee and now chairs the Foreign Medical Graduate Taskforce. Greg is a member of the American Bar Association where he serves on the Council of the Law Practice Management Section. He is also a member of the Tennessee Bar Association, the Nashville Bar Association and the Memphis Bar Association. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society and on the executive board of the Jewish Family Service agency in Memphis, Tennessee. He recently was named one of the Top 40 executives under age 40 in Memphis, Tennessee by the Memphis Business Journal and as one of the 101 best lawyers in Tennessee by Business Tennessee Magazine. Greg regularly writes on the subject of immigration law. He has written several hundred articles on the subject and is also the author of the book *The J Visa Guidebook*, published by Lexis-Nexis, one of the nation's leading legal publishers. He is also a technology columnist for *Immigration Law Today* published by the American Immigration Lawyers Association.

Suzanne B. Seltzer (co-discussion leader) heads the New York office of Klasko, Rulon, Stock and Seltzer, LLP. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania (B.A., magna cum laude, 1989); Georgetown University Law Center (J.D., cum laude, 1993), Suzanne is also a staff Editor, *Georgetown Immigration Law Journal*. She is well known for her representation of universities, hospitals and research institutions and their medical and research personnel in obtaining extraordinary ability and national interest waiver immigrant petitions, O-1 nonimmigrant visas, and waivers of the two-year home country residence requirement. Suzanne also was given the Cornerstone Award by the Lawyers Alliance for New York in recognition of her outstanding contributions to pro bono work on behalf of victims of human trafficking.

Joseph P. Curran has been exclusively involved in the practice of immigration and nationality law since 1985, with experience representing clients in all aspects of this area of law. He has served as counsel to numerous individuals, major corporations, universities, and research institutions, specializing in immigration issues impacting on business and family-based sponsorship in the New England area. Mr. Curran is a member in good standing of the Massachusetts Bar Association, and he currently serves on the Bar's Committee for Immigration and the Bar's Committee for High Technology. He has been an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association since 1985, and frequently lectures on immigration law to business groups and academic institutions in the New England area. As a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association Congressional Liaison Committee, Attorney Curran works closely with U.S. Congressmen and US Senators regarding legislative and regulatory policy. Mr. Curran is also a member of the American Health Lawyers Association and the Labor and Employment Substantive Law Committee. In addition, Mr. Curran regularly volunteers his time to support the immigration assistance programs of charitable organizations in the community. He has been featured in major newspapers in the Western Massachusetts area for his efforts in the field of immigration law. After graduating from the State University of New York, Mr. Curran completed his Juris Doctorate at Western New England School of Law. Prior to entering the field of immigration, he worked on the United States Senate Judiciary Committee, writing speeches, drafting legislation and conducting research on the Equal Rights Amendment and Civil Rights legislation.

Jacqueline DeAndrus Bucar is a counsel in the New Haven office of Murtha Cullina and has practiced immigration, labor and employment law for over twenty years. Her immigration practice focuses on business and family immigration law, concentrating in academics, professionals, physicians, physician waivers and nurses. She also regularly advises employers on a wide variety of issues in the workplace such as wrongful discharge and discrimination, including The Americans with Disabilities Act and sexual harassment. Ms. Bucar received her J.D. and B.S. from the University of Connecticut and her M.A.L.S. from Wesleyan University. She has been selected for more than 10 years as one of The Best Lawyers in America (Woodward & White). A 2005 recipient of The "20 Noteworthy Women" Award, Ms. Bucar is also a fellow of the Connecticut Bar Foundation and an adjunct Professor of Immigration Law, University of Connecticut School of Law.

Kristi L. Crawford has practiced immigration law for more than six years, beginning as a law clerk with Siskind, Susser, P.C. She ultimately developed her own practice which includes an extensive clientele in the medical industry, including physicians, hospitals, and biotech firms. One of her largest clients remains Research Triangle Institute, the multidisciplinary institution which is involved in the Iraqi Governance Project. Drawing from a deep familiarity and easiness with the medical sector, Kristi takes pride in representing physicians, nurses, and other health care providers. She believes that her knowledge of the particular needs and "language" of medical professionals is key to her ability to provide personalized legal services. She finds personal and professional fulfillment in guiding physicians through the J-1 waiver and H1B process. Many satisfied clients ultimately pursue permanent residence and naturalization with her assistance. Kristi received her J.D. from University of Memphis in 1999. There she edited the *Tennessee Journal of Practice and Procedure*. Kristi received her B.A. cum laude from St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake, Michigan in 1995. She has been a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association since 1998.

Eleanor M. Fitzpatrick has served as manager of ECFMG's Exchange Visitor Sponsorship Program since 1996. She has extensive experience in international health and education. She works directly with the Department of State (DOS) and the US academic medical community on policies governing the training of foreign national physicians on J-1 visas. Eleanor participates in national conferences and workshops focused on J-1 physician issues. She is a graduate of St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA and Georgetown University, Washington, DC.

Benjamin T. Kurten is an Associate at Quarles & Brady LLP and has practiced in the field of immigration since 1998. He has worked on just about every type of immigration case possible and has personally successfully argued cases before the Executive Office of the Immigration Judge, Board of Immigration Appeals and the Administrative Appeals Office. Mr. Kurten graduated from the University of Miami in Marine Science Affairs. His other Distinctions include Editor-in-Chief, *Wisconsin Environmental Law Journal*, 1996-1997; CALI Excellence for the Future Award: Environmental Law and Institutions; CALI Excellence for the Future Award: Select Problems in Environmental Law. A member the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA); Foreign Medical Graduate Task force/Access to Healthcare Coalition, Ben regularly makes presentations on topics within the immigration field to professional organizations, groups and associations as well as to other members of the legal community. Ben is also actively involved in various advocacy efforts to have favorable immigration legislation enacted by Congress, including traveling to Washington D.C.



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[Jan Pederson](#) is the founder of Pederson Immigration Law Group, P.C. in Washington, D.C. and has practiced law in the Washington, D.C. since 1980. Recognized by The Washington Post as one of "seven leading lawyers" in Washington, D.C., Ms. Pederson has been dedicated to the practice of immigration and nationality law for over twenty years. She has successfully represented thousands of clients and is masterful at resolving complex immigration issues. She is a frequent national lecturer on the topic of consular processing and has authored many papers on the topic. She served as president of the Washington, D.C. Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA); and as an elected director of the national Board of Governors of AILA for eighteen years. She served as a chairperson of the Physicians Task Force of AILA and has also served as chairperson of the AILA Visa Office Liaison Committee and Refugee Committee. She was the recipient of the prestigious national award, The Edith Lowenstein Award, in 1997 for excellence in the advancement of the practice of immigration law. Ms. Pederson graduated with honors from the University of Washington with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and from Howard University with a Juris Doctor degree.

[Donna Rae Richardson](#) is the Director of Governmental Affairs and Professional Standards for CGFNS International. Previously, she was the director of Clinical Trials Programs at Howard University Cancer Center in a collaborative effort with the National Cancer Institute to increase minority physician and patient participation in clinical trials. A registered nurse and attorney, Ms. Richardson is counsel to the law firm of Joan Wilbon and Associates and Assistant Professor of Nursing and Medicine at Howard University. She has continued her clinical practice at a subacute/long term care facility. Ms. Richardson has served as Director of Governmental Affairs of the American Nurses Association and as an attorney at the Department of Labor. She is a recognized speaker and expert of health care reform, HIV policy, women's health research, occupational health for nurses, and clinical trial recruitment.

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