



Three-Part Telephone & E-mail Seminar:

Investors And Entrepreneurs: Immigration Options
Speakers: Lincoln Stone, Edward Carroll, Robert Gaffney, Linda Lau, Carolyn Lee, Edward Litwin, Karen Weinstock and Other Speakers To Be Announced
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Seminar Outline

FIRST Phone Session on February 28th: Solutions for Small Business

- Overview of NIV Categories: L-1, E-2, E-1, H-1B and O
- Recurring Problems with NIV's for Small Business: "Substantial" Investment, "At Risk", When is E-1 Preferred?, E and L Extensions and Consular Practice
- Strategies for Transition to Permanent Residence: EB-1C, National Interest Waivers, Labor Certification and Anticipating EB-5 issues

SECOND Phone Session on March 20th: Overview of the EB-5 Category

- Basic Requirements: Minimum Capital, "Invest", "Commercial Enterprise", Source of Capital and Job Creation
- Practice Tips: Review of the Petition Forms, Service Center adjudication (I-526 and I-485), National Visa Center and Consular Processing
- Regional Centers: Why are they relevant?, What does it mean to be "Approved" as a Regional Center and Recommended Due Diligence
- Petition for Removal of Conditions: Required Procedure, Basic Eligibility and Practice Tips

THIRD Phone Session on April 3rd: Advanced EB-5 Practice

- Recurring Problem Issues with the I-526 Petition: Proving the Required Capital is "At Risk", Identifying a TEA, Source of Capital and Job Creation
- Designation of Regional Centers: Procedure and Timing, What is Required in the Proposal and USCIS Oversight and Compliance
- Preparing for Problems with the Petition for Removal of Conditions: Shortfall of Capital, Shortfall of Employment, Required Proof in Regional Center Based Petitions, Alternative Immigration Solutions and Litigation

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About the Speakers

Lincoln Stone (Discussion Leader) is certified by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization as a Specialist in Immigration and Nationality Law, and he serves on the State Bar's Immigration and Nationality Law Advisory Commission. Following his clerkship with a federal court judge, Mr. Stone started his career in immigration law in 1987 as an attorney with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. Mr. Stone drafted key immigrant investor legislation enacted by Congress. Practicing lawyers, government officials, national media and the U.S. Congress Government Accountability Office have relied on his expertise in the field of investor immigration. Mr. Stone is a frequent speaker before local, state and national bar associations. He has published numerous practitioner-focused articles in immigration law journals, and he is Editor in Chief of Immigration Options for Investors and Entrepreneurs. Mr. Stone served five years as Chair of the Investor Committee of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), and he presently serves as Chair of AILA's National Pro Bono Committee.

Edward J. Carroll is a graduate of S.U.N.Y.-Binghamton (B.A. 1966) and Brooklyn Law School (J.D. 1969) and was admitted to the Bar in N.Y.S. in 1969 and in Vermont in 1974. Articles authored by Mr. Carroll have appeared in publications of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the American Bar Association, the Vermont Bar Association and in Canadian publications. Mr. Carroll has served the American Immigration Lawyers Association as a member of the Permanent Immigration Policy Committee, the Investor (EB-5) Committee and the Border Security Issues Committee, the Admissions & Interior Enforcement Committee and as Co-Chair of the Liaison Committee to the Vermont Service Center. He has also been liaison to CIS, CBP and DOL offices in Vermont for AILA's New England Chapter. He was Vice-Chair, of the ABA Immigration Law Committee, General Practice Section, 1994 - 2001. Mr. Carroll is a frequent presenter on U.S. immigration law to legal and business groups in the U.S. and Canada and at AILA conferences. He has taught immigration law to INS employees at the Vermont Service Center. He has been a commentator for radio and television on immigration issues. Mr. Carroll is listed in Best Lawyers in America.

Robert P. Gaffney received his Juris Doctor Degree from University of California, Hastings College of the Law and was admitted to the bar in 1980. Mr. Gaffney is a Specialist in Immigration and Nationality Law. He is a long-standing member of the Immigration and Nationality Law panel of the Lawyer Referral Service of the San Francisco Bar Association. Through his private law practice in San Francisco, Mr. Gaffney has over 25 years of experience counseling a wide range of corporate and individual clients in areas of employment-related, investment, and family based visa and immigration matters. Mr. Gaffney has developed significant expertise representing professional employees, as well as managers and executives of multinational firms, alien entrepreneurs and skilled workers in obtaining U.S. temporary employment visas and permanent residence under the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Another area of emphasis of the firm's practice is the processing of "national interest" waivers on behalf of exceptional artists and persons with advanced degrees.

Linda Lau received her B.A. degree from University of California at Berkeley and M.S. degree from University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. She received her J.D. degree from the UCLA School of Law. Linda's practice includes all aspects of immigration and nationality law and related family and business law matters. Linda has represented hundreds of businesses from sole proprietorships to major multinational organizations as well as individuals. She provides representation to companies, both domestic and international, in immigration law matters. She represents companies in connection with the transfer and employment of executives, managers and professionals on both a temporary and permanent basis in compliance with the employer sanctions laws. Linda advises companies and individuals about the significant new business-related immigration statutory and regulatory provisions. She structures immigrant investor projects for U.S. companies and assist investors with their immigrant investor petitions for the purpose of obtaining U.S. permanent residency.

Carolyn S. Lee is a Partner at Miller Mayer LLP. She graduated cum laude from Williams College in 1993 and received her J.D. from Cornell Law School in 1999 where she graduated with a specialization in International Legal Affairs. Carolyn's practice focuses on EB-5 investors, academics, foreign medical graduates, and increasingly, artists. She was the moderator at a recent AILA EB-5 Teleconference entitled "New Developments in EB-5s" (October 25, 2007) and also was a presenter on EB-5 issues at an ILW.com workshop entitled "Solving Complex Immigration Challenges While Super-Charging Your Career and Your Law Firm" (March 30, 2007). Carolyn is also co-author with Stephen Yale-Loehr on the comprehensive EB-5 article entitled "[EB-5 Immigrant Investors](#)" published annually in the AILA Handbook and is also the author of "[Ethical and Practical Considerations in EB-5 Representation](#)" first appearing on ILW.com.

Edward R. Litwin is a nationally recognized immigration law expert and is certified by the California State Bar of Legal Specialization as a Specialist in Immigration and Nationality Law. He concentrates in the area of labor certifications and business visas, in addition to providing other immigration services. He is a graduate of Hastings College of Law and has been in practice since 1975. His past and present professional affiliations, activities, and accomplishments include: published articles in the Immigration Journal, Personal News, and Immigration Law & Procedure; speaker at advanced immigration seminars throughout the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico under the auspices of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, Practising Law Institute, California State Bar, and various other bar associations; Adjunct Professor, teaching Immigration and Nationality Law at the University of San Francisco Law School and the McGeorge School of Law; Member: American Immigration Lawyers Association and elected member of its Board of Governors, San Francisco Bar Association, Christian Legal Society, Federal Bar Association, and American Bar Association. He is included in the Best Lawyers in America (Seventh edition), An International Who's Who of Corporate Immigration Lawyers, Who's Who in American Law (Ninth Edition), Who's Who in Executives and Professionals (1999-2000 edition), and National Registry of Who's Who (life member), Strathmore's Who's Who (life member).

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