



Three-Part Telephone & E-mail Seminar:

Back To School: Immigration Issues for Students and Universities

Speakers: Alice Yardum-Hunter, Elizabeth "Betsy" Bedient, Jennifer Bowen, Scott F. Cooper, Laura Edgerton, Elizabeth Goss, Craig Peterson and Steve Springer

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 11:59PM (ET), September 9, 2008

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Seminar Outline

FIRST Phone Session on August 21: F, M and J Students - what they are and how do they apply

- Similarities and Differences between the three statuses – Is there a choice?
- NIV Visa issuance: Proving Nonimmigrant intent from troublesome countries and after IV petitions; and support issues
- The realities of maintenance of status and reinstatement (how to apply and likelihood of success)
- Personas non grata – flight school issues
- Students who are not F, M or Js (derivatives, asylees, recent developments e.g. for visitors)
- When D/S is no longer D/S – unlawful presence, departure and inadmissibility
- Working with DSOs and ROs, and using NAFSA liaisons and visa validity

SECOND Phone Session on September 11: Student Employment Issues

- The usual rules of engagement for Fs – On-Campus, CPT, OPT, Unforeseen Economic Hardship and Internships with International Organizations
- Employment of M and J students (including J-1 Student Interns)
- When is an EAD needed?
- The Cap Gap solution for this year
- Interim Final Rule for OPT 4/8/2008 – Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
 - Who's included and excluded
 - 17 month extension – student applications and employer reporting requirements
 - E-Verify employers – how to find them, what E-Verify means to employers, how and why to convince employers to go E-Verify
 - New Reporting Requirements

THIRD Phone Session on October 30: Helping educational institutions with their immigration issues

- SEVIS – history and update for today – What a DSO and lawyer must know now
- Understanding H-1 exemptions – collaborations between universities and the private sector
- Issues Transitioning from student to professor (J-1 waivers, alternatives to H-1B)
- Special Handling PERM applications; When regular labor certification process applies;
- Difficult EB-1s and NIWs (From F, J or M direct to Immigrant – when, why, how; considerations whether to PERM after all)
- Can a non-resident alien be a resident for tuition?

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About the Speakers

[Alice Yardum-Hunter](#) (Discussion Leader) As an attorney in California for more than 28 years, Alice Yardum-Hunter's practice has always exclusively concentrated on immigration law—mostly business related and complex matters. She began her career as an immigration generalist handling a wide variety of cases, from consular processing to deportation work, and everything in between. Ms. Yardum-Hunter is currently Liaison to the Customs and Border Protection and former Citizenship and Immigration Service and Department of Labor Liaison on behalf of the LA County Bar Association Immigration Section, and a former Commissioner to the State Bar of California, Board of Legal Specialization, Immigration and Nationality Law Advisory Commission. This body monitors attorney specialists in immigration law. She has been invited repeatedly to head this commission. Alice Yardum-Hunter is a Certified Specialist in Immigration and Nationality Law. Beginning in 2004 and every year thereafter, she has been honored as a recipient of the prestigious "Super Lawyers" designation by Los Angeles Magazine, reserved for the top approximately 2-5% of immigration lawyers in Southern California. There are approximately 1,000 immigration lawyers in Southern California. It is awarded to a very small group of attorneys based on merit for quality of work, from a survey of 65,000 lawyers and two tiers of Blue Ribbon Judge review, and not just on reputation. She was recently invited to be included in the "Global Directory of Who's Who" and was nominated in 2007 within the top 25 lawyers in the San Fernando Valley, a locale with approximately 9,000 lawyers.

[Elizabeth J. Bedient](#) has been actively working in immigration matters since 1974. She began by advising international students and scholars on immigration matters at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign for eleven years. She then worked as a paralegal for an immigration law firm for five years, during which time she attended law school at the University of Denver. After clerking for a Federal District Court Judge for a year and a half, she took up the private practice of immigration law, which she followed for fourteen years until accepting her current position as International Scholar Advisor at the University of Colorado Denver, where she works primarily with immigration matters for the University's international faculty, staff, and visitors to campus. She has an active Colorado law license, is a member of Colorado bar, the American Association of Immigration Lawyers, and NAFSA: Association of International Educators. Since 1998 she has served as Adjunct Professor at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, where she teaches introduction to U.S. immigration and nationality law on a bi-annual basis.

[Jennifer Bowen](#) has devoted her career to helping foreign citizens both inside and outside of the United States. Ms. Bowen's experience includes administering loans to women in Ghana for economic development, resettling refugees and assisting 'aliens with extraordinary abilities' pursue their endeavors in the United States. Her distinguished academic credentials include Bachelor of Arts degrees in Political Science and German from Washburn University, a Master of Arts degree in Diplomacy and International Commerce from the Patterson School of Diplomacy at the University of Kentucky, and a Juris Doctorate from Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law. Ms. Bowen currently focuses her practice on helping talented individuals obtain visas, residency, or citizenship in the United States and looks forward to helping you.

[Scott F. Cooper](#) is Managing Partner of the Troy, Michigan offices of Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, PLLC. Scott's clientele includes universities, colleges, research and cultural institutions as well as individual faculty and researchers across the country. In practice since 1979, he has served as a Chapter Officer of the Michigan and Greater Chicago Chapters of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and Chair of the Michigan Chapter. Scott has also been Chair of the Immigration and Nationality Law Committee of the Chicago Bar Association. He has been a contributing author and editor of publications for organizations including the American Council for International Personnel, the Employee Relocation Council, the College and University Placement Association, the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the Michigan and Illinois Institutes for Continuing Legal Education, NAFSA: Association of International Educators and lead author of an Immigration Briefings on Exchange Visitors. Scott is an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, previously at Chicago-Kent College of Law and as a faculty member for the Michigan and Illinois Institutes of Continuing Legal Education and trainer for the American Society of Employers. He is a former Fulbright Scholar and recipient of the Employee Relocation Council's Distinguished Service Award and the Michigan Association of International Educators' David Horner Award. Scott is listed in the International Who's Who of Corporate Immigration Lawyers, Best Lawyers in America, and SuperLawyers and is AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell. Scott is admitted to practice in the states of Michigan, Illinois and New York and in the United States District Court and the United States Supreme Court.

[Elizabeth Goss](#) specializes in the representation of physicians, researchers, trainees, and students in the higher education, healthcare and the biopharma/biotech fields securing their temporary and permanent visas. In addition, she has extensive experience representing multinational corporations and entrepreneurial ventures in a wide array of immigration matters. For nearly a decade Ms. Goss served as Tufts University's Foreign Student & Scholar Advisor /Director of the International Affairs Office for the Health Sciences campus and affiliated hospitals. She is an active member of AILA and NAFSA and a frequent speaker at both regional and national conferences.

[Craig Peterson](#) focuses on business-related immigration matters, including both immigrant and non-immigrant filings. While his work encompasses all types of organizations, he has particularly deep experience in immigration matters connected with academic research institutions, colleges and universities.

[Steve Springer](#) earned his law degree in 1986, from the University of Alabama. After working for several years as a litigator, he earned a graduate degree in cultural studies, served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Poland, managed immigration services for several major research universities for nearly a decade, and managed his own immigration law practice. Mr. Springer has held a variety of leadership positions in NAFSA: Association of International Educators including Manager of the International Scholar Advising Network, Chair of the Employment Issues Working Group, Dean of the "J-1 for Beginners" Professional Development Program, USCIS service center liaison, Region I Secretary and team member, Region VII team member, and member of several other committees and working groups. Mr. Springer served on the team that developed the J-1 Advanced

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Professional Development Program, has presented over 40 workshops and sessions at national and regional NAFSA conferences, and was awarded "NAFSAn of the Year" by Region I. Mr. Springer also co-created a video-based intercultural communications training program for university administrators who work with international students that remains widely used among NAFSAs. Mr. Springer is a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and has also presented sessions at its conferences.