



Three-Part Telephone & E-mail Seminar:
New Issues For Doctors, Nurses, Etc.

Speakers: Gregory Siskind, Sylvia Boecker, Jennifer A. Minear, Sherry L. Neal, Judith Pendergast, William A. Stock Barry J. Walker, and other speakers to be announced.

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Seminar Outline

FIRST Phone Session on June 2: Doctor's Issues

Physicians - Update for 2005

- Conrad 30 flexibility slots
- Specialists in Federal and Conrad 30 programs
- H-1B Cap issues in waiver cases
- AC21 Yates memo and the impact on physician cases
- Transferring during the three year period - no longer a slam dunk

The Grey Areas

- National interest waivers - when does the clock start, specialists v. primary care, will the J-1 letter suffice, etc.
- The cap exemption - is it doctor-specific or position-specific; strategies for H-1B residents and fellows seeking employment with non-exempt employers.
- Can the J-1 three year service requirement be met in visa categories other than an H-1B?
- VA Hospital waivers - does 5/8 time count as full-time work?; can transfers between VA hospitals and HPSA facilities work?

Alternative visa categories for doctors - (Es, Os, TNs, etc.)

SECOND Phone Session on July 21: Nurses

EB-3 Retrogression

- Impact of 50,000 additional numbers
- Mechanics of implementing the new law

Immigration Reform proposals

- The H-5A non-immigrant visa
- Additional borrowing from unused EB-3 numbers
- Doubling of EB numbers

Alternative visa strategies for nurses

- H-1C
- H-1B
- TN
- Fs and Js
- H-3s

THIRD Phone Session on August 11: Other Health Care Professionals/The VisaScreen Process

Beyond nurses and doctors

- Pharmacists, Dentists, and Chiropractors
- PTs, OTs, and other therapists
- Medical technologists

The VisaScreen Process

- A primer on the HIRAIRA requirements
- The new VisaScreen regs
- Who can issue certificates and how to get certified
- Practical tips

Signup

Cancellation Policy: Orders placed cannot be cancelled. **Deadline** is Aug 9 **\$199** for 1 session or \$499 for all 3. Note that an entire office can listen in on a speakerphone for the price of one.

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[] June 2 Tape [] Jul 21 Tape [] Aug 11 2.00pm to 3.30pm ET (11.00am to 12.30pm PT)

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About the Speakers

Gregory Siskind 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.

Sylvia Boecker an attorney in private practice in Virginia, has served as Chair of AILA's Greater Chicago Chapter and as President of the Chicago Bar Association Committee on Immigration Law. She is the author of many articles on immigration issues for nurses. She has degrees in Latin American Studies from the University of Denver and in Spanish from Oberlin College, and a J.D. from DePaul University. Ms. Boecker served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in the Philippines.

Jennifer A. Minear graduated from the University of Maryland (College Park), B.A., cum laude, 1993, Cornell University, J.D., cum laude, 2001. She is an Associate Attorney in the Business Immigration Practice Group of McCandlish Holton PC. Her practice focuses on employment-based petitions and applications on behalf of employers and foreign workers seeking temporary and permanent employment in the United States. She also handles a number of J-1 visa waiver applications on behalf of foreign medical graduates and advises and represents individual clients on family-based immigration matters, immigration self-petitions and citizenship applications.

Sherry L. Neal graduated from the University of Dayton School of Law (J.D., 1994) and Cedarville College (B.A., 1991). In 2004, Sherry was named a Partner of the firm. She has been with the firm since March 1995. She handles all types of immigration cases; however, she primarily focuses on employment-based immigration in regard to both temporary status and permanent status in the U.S. She advises corporations and individuals on immigration law issues and handles cases before the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the Department of State and the Department of Labor. She has conducted private I-9 audits for national companies and advised as to potential liability. Sherry has written numerous articles on Immigration Law. In addition, she has met with members of Congress in Washington to lobby regarding Immigration issues.

Judith Pendergast joined the Hammond Law Group as an attorney in July of 2005. Prior to this, she was the Director of Planning, Marketing and Communications for the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools. She has also served as the Director of Government Affairs for the Michigan Nurses Association and as the Executive Director of the Wisconsin Nurses Association. In addition, she has 20 years of clinical nursing experience in emergency services. Ms. Pendergast received a nursing diploma from Mercy Medical Center School of Nursing in 1970 and a BSN in 1989 from Marian College in Wisconsin. She received her J.D. from Marquette University Law School in Milwaukee in 1992.

William A. Stock was the recipient of AILA's Joseph Minsky Award for outstanding accomplishments in immigration law and is listed in Best Lawyers in America. He is an associate editor of AILA's annual *Immigration & Nationality Law Handbook*, and is co-author of the "J Visa Guidebook" from Matthew Bender. Bill has served on the board of governors of AILA and currently serves as a member of the executive committee of AILA's Philadelphia Chapter. He is an adjunct professor of law at Villanova University School of Law.

Barry J. Walker was born in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, on December 23rd, 1951 and is admitted to practice in the state of Mississippi. Mr. Walker has been a practicing attorney since 1979. Since 1992, his practice has been concentrated in employment-based nonimmigrant and immigrant cases. He practices before the US Department of Labor, US Immigration Service, and US State Department. He represents employers and employees in the processing of H-1B specialty occupations, L-1 intracompany transfer, E-1/E-2 treaty trader and treaty investor nonimmigrant visa cases. He regularly represents health care facilities and foreign medical graduates in J-1 waiver cases. He processes labor certification for skilled workers and college graduates. He prepares and processes visa petitions for aliens of extraordinary ability, and outstanding professors and researchers. He has obtained approval of national interest waivers in each of the four Immigration Service Regional centers and has been successful in this procedure in over 100 cases. Attorney Walker is a regularly invited speaker on immigration matters involving Foreign Medical Graduates and is author of business employment and foreign physician immigration topics. Mr. Walker holds a Master Degree in International Law and Trade from Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana where he was a distinguished graduate. His curriculum included the study of Immigration Law. He obtained his Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Mississippi and a Bachelor of Science Degree from Mississippi State University. Mr. Walker is also fluent in spoken and written Spanish.