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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, NOV. 7, 2012

Presiding Officer:

Eugene J. Flynn, Eugene J. Flynn, P.C., Dallas, TX

1:00 p.m.

Registration Opens

1:30 p.m.

1.00 hr

1.25 hrs ethics

United States Immigration Laws: Citizens, Nonimmigrants, Immigrants and Unauthorized

A discussion of the interplay of unlawful presence, out of status, nonimmigrant, immigrant and citizenship for foreign nationals, their employers and their families

Paul Parsons, Paul Parsons, PC, Austin, TX

2:30 p.m.

1.00 hr

Introduction to Family Immigration Practice

Who qualifies for family visas in the immigrant and nonimmigrant classifications? What are the pitfalls and the high points of family immigration practice?

George Rodriguez, Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates, P.C., Dallas, TX Nancy Taylor Shivers, Shivers & Shivers, San Antonio, TX

3:30 p.m.

Break

3:45 p.m.

1.00 hr

Introduction to Employment Immigration Practice

A review of the most common types of work visas available to foreign nationals and the requirements and important features of of each category.

Maggie Murphy, Jackson Lewis LLP, Austin, TX

WELCOME RECEPTION

4:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Networking opportunity to meet and get to know your fellow immigration law practitioners.

5:15 p.m.

Pro Bono Representation:

The Value and Benefits

Non-citizens in Texas have never been more in need of pro bono representation in their immigration matters. As immigration law has grown evermore complex during the last 15 years, thousands of immigrants face their immigration matters on their own-without representation. Many non-citizens resort to unauthorized and unscrupulous outfits for what they think is help. Get inspired to share your time and expertise with non-profit immigration programs in Texas.

Edna Yang, American Gateways, Austin, TX

M. Elizabeth 'Liz' Cedillo-Pereira, Cedillo-Pereira & Cedillo, PLLC, Dallas, TX

Barbara Hines, The University of Texas School of Law Immigration Clinic, Austin, TX

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6:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

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THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 8, 2012

Presiding Officer:

Michelle L. Saenz-Rodriguez, Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates, P.C., Dallas, TX

8:00 a.m.

Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:30 a.m.

Welcoming Remarks

1.00 hr

8:40 a.m.

Hot Topics: Recent Developments and Emerging Issues

A review of recent immigrations-related judicial and administrative decisions and policies affecting employment-based immigration and related employer compliance and foreign nationals in removal proceedings.

Harry J. Joe, Jackson Lewis LLP, Dallas, TX
Dan Kesselbrenner, National Immigration Project of
the National Lawyers Guild, Boston, MA

9:40 a.m. .33 hr

An Introduction:

CIS Ombudsman's Office of the Department of Homeland Security

Meet the CIS Ombudsman's Office and hear what the Ombudsman's Office can do for you and your client

Amany S. Ezeldin, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC

10:00 a.m. .75 hr

Getting the Green Card:

Adjustment of Status vs. Consular Processing

An overview of strategic considerations for employment-based immigrant visa matters and related assessment of common grounds of inadmissibility.

L. Edward Rios, Cox Smith Matthews Incorporated, El Paso, TX

Lawrence E. Rushton, The Rushton Law Firm, Bellaire, TX

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m.

1.25 hrs

In a Country Where Unlawful Presence Reigns, We Bring You "Bars, Tolling and Waivers"

A discussion of the intricacies of unlawful presence, calculations, overstays, status violations, accrual and waivers available to overcome the bars.

Raed Gonzalez, Gonzalez Olivieri LLC, Houston, TX Faye M. Kolly, De Mott, McChesney, Curtright and Armendáriz, L.L.P., Austin, TX

12:15 p.m.

Break to Pick Up Lunch

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:

George Rodriguez, Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates, P.C., Dallas, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

12:30 p.m. .75 hr

Victory for Dreamers:

Deferred Action and Youth Advocacy

An overview of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and the advocacy campaign for the passage of the DREAM Act that led to President Obama's 2012 policy.

Moderator:

Barbara Hines, The University of Texas School of Law Immigration Clinic, Austin, TX

Panelists

M. Elizabeth 'Liz' Cedillo-Pereira, Cedillo-Pereira & Cedillo, PLLC, Dallas, TX Julieta Garibay, United We Dream, Austin, TX

1:15 p.m. Break

1:30 p.m. 1.00 hr including .50 hr ethics

The Timeline Tightrope:

Adjustment vs. Consular

The principle of reverse engineering is critical in assessing the appropriate path to permanent residence. The goal of acquiring permanent residence can be years away and anticipating pitfalls and timing challenges for a client's review and assessment are crucial.

Kathleen Campbell Walker, Cox Smith Matthews Incorporated, El Paso, TX

2:30 p.m. 1.00 hr

Naturalization and Citizenship: Basic Issues

Your client has a green card and wants to "upgrade" to U.S. citizenship. Is she eligible? Review basic eligibility, travel issues, good moral character, special rules and citizenship. Your client believes that he is a U.S. citizen even though he was born outside the U.S. Is he a citizen? Look at derivative citizenship, acquired citizenship and contested citizenship.

Janet B. Beck, University of Houston Law Center, Houston, TX

Richard S. Fischer, The Law Offices of Richard S. Fischer, Nacogdoches, TX

3:30 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m. 1.75 hrs including .50 hr ethics

Anatomy of a Removal Case

Examine the mechanics of removal proceedings from initiation of proceedings through the bond process and all the way to the removability phase of the case. Gain insight on the process and how to present the best case possible with a focus on practical consideration and legal strategy.

Moderator

Michelle L. Saenz-Rodriguez, Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates, P.C., Dallas, TX

Panelists:

Jodi M. Goodwin, Law Office of Jodi Goodwin, Harlingen, TX Jacqueline L. Watson, Law Office of Thomas

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FRIDAY MORNING, NOV. 9, 2012

Presiding Officer:

Richard A. Gump Jr., Attorney at Law, Dallas, TX

8:00 a.m.

Conference Room Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:30 a.m.

.75 hr

Law Office Management: Finding What You Need

How to find what you need to know to practice immigration law and how to use the latest technology to find it when you need it.

Eugene J. Flynn, Eugene J. Flynn, P.C., Dallas, TX Carl M. Shusterman, Law Offices of Carl Shusterman, Los Angeles, CA

9:15 a.m. 1.00 hr including .25 hr ethics

Asylum: Basic to Advanced

Beginning with a basic overview of the asylum process, then moving on to more advanced asylum issues, such as framing "particular social group" and Mexican asylum cases, learn practice points on how to prepare and successfully represent asylum seekers before USCIS and the Immigration Court.

Moderator:

Edna Yang, American Gateways, Austin, TX

Panelists:

Denise L. Gilman, The University of Texas School of Law Immigration Clinic, Austin, TX Carlos Spector, Attorney At Law, El Paso, TX

10:15 a.m.

Break

Overall, this is an excellent program. The topics are diverse and relevant.

The speakers are excellent and I have a wonderful source of materials.

This is always a great program—very well balanced and informative.

I enjoy the presenters.

All are very knowledgeable
and willing to answer questions.

Concurrent Sessions

BUSINESS-BASED IMMIGRATION

Presiding Officer:

Richard A. Gump Jr., Attorney at Law, Dallas, TX

10:30 a.m. 1.00 hr

Hot Topics in EB-5 Investor Visas

Discussion of recent issues confronting investors, ranging from "source of funds" to "tenant occupancy" interpretations that affects job creations forecasts.

Elise A. Healy, Spencer Crain Cubbage Healy & McNamara PLLC, Dallas, TX

11:30 a.m. .75 hr

PERManent Residence through Employment

A discussion about the basic PERM requirements and procedures, including current trends and recent BALCA decisions, common and not-so-common pitfalls, and relevant I-140 and priority date considerations. Explore the issues surrounding minimum requirements, recruitment efforts and documentation retention.

Edward R. Litwin, Litwin & Associates, A Law Corporation, South San Francisco, CA

CRIMMIGRATION

Presiding Officer:

Sarah E. Woelk, Casa Marianella Immigration Legal Services, Austin, TX

10:30 a.m.

1.75 hrs

Defeating Criminal Grounds of Removal

Using common Texas crimes as examples, learn strategies to defeat removal charges based on criminal conduct, including the categorical and modified categorical analysis.

Moderator:

Barbara Hines, The University of Texas School of Law Immigration Clinic, Austin, TX

Panelists:

Dan Kesselbrenner, National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild, Boston, MA Stephanie Kolmar, American Gateways, Austin, TX

12:15 p.m. Break for Buffet Lunch

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:

Sarah E. Woelk, Casa Marianella Immigration Legal Services, Austin, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

12:35 p.m.

.75 hr

Post-Election:

A Dream or Nightmare for Immigration?

Just days after the election, a look at what has come to pass and what is yet to come on immigration legislation and executive action. What will happen with deferred action for Dreamers? Will the DREAM Act, AgJOBS or other family and business reforms go through in the 113th Congress?

Gregory Z. Chen, Esq., American Immigration Lawyers Association, Washington, DC

1:20 p.m. Break

1:30 p.m. 1.00 hr including .50 hr ethics

ICE Audits: Looking Back and into the Future

Experienced attorneys and an ICE Senior Special Agent discuss what to expect in an ICE audit and how to prepare your client.

Richard A. Gump Jr., Attorney at Law, Dallas, TX Kevin R. Lashus, Jackson Lewis LLP, Austin, TX Joseph Martinez Jr., Department of Homeland Security, San Antonio, TX

2:30 p.m. 1.00 hr including .25 hr ethics

Hot Topics in Marriage-Based Immigration

Learn about the issues regarding the consequences of divorce on marriage-based applications and conditional residency, strategies to overcome these hurdles, and how to handle problematic cases and conflicts of interest, including marriage fraud.

Nicolas Chavez, Chavez & Valko, LLP, Dallas, TX Lakshmi Nayar, Nayar & McIntyre, LLP, Dallas, TX Peter D. Williamson, Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, Houston, TX

3:30 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m.

.75 hr

The Nuts and Bolts of Administrative Appeals for Petitions and Applications

General requirements and procedures for administrative appeals of denials of family petitions, TPS applications, adjustment applications, citizenship applications, immigrant worker petitions and more. An analysis of the rules regarding mailing deadlines, motions to reopen, motions for reconsideration, filing fees and strategies for successful administrative appeals.

Francisco J. Garcia, Law Office of Harry Gee, Jr. & Associates, Houston, TX Javier N. Maldonado, Law Office of Javier N. Maldonado, PC, San Antonio, TX

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4:30 p.m.

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KEY DATES

October 31, 2012

last day for early registration add \$50 for registrations received after this time

November 2, 2012 last day for full refund

November 5, 2012

last day for partial refund \$50 processing fee applied

November 7, 1:30 p.m. Fundamentals begins

November 8, 2012, 8:30 a.m. Conference begins

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