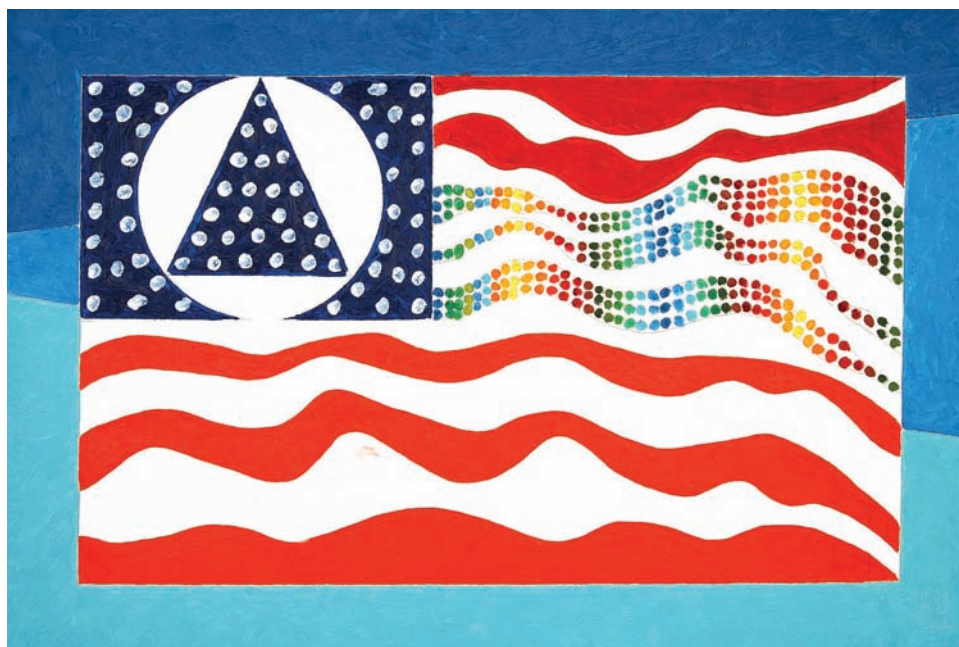


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WEDNESDAY EVENING – OCT. 17, 2007

4:00 p.m. Registration Opens

5:00 p.m. 2.00 hrs

Fundamentals of Immigration Law: Grounds of Inadmissibility and Deportability, Removal Proceedings, and Relief

This overview session reviews the most common grounds of inadmissibility and deportability, and examines the basic procedures in removal hearings including bond hearings. It will also discuss relief from removal such as cancellations of removal for permanent and nonpermanent residents, adjustment of status in proceedings, and waivers.

Barbara Hines, Austin, TX
Lee J. Terán, San Antonio, TX

7:00 p.m. Break

Includes light dinner—please RSVP on registration form.

7:15 p.m. 2.00 hrs

What Every Immigration Lawyer Should Know about the Immigration Consequences of Crime

The panel serves as a primer and fundamental practice guide on immigration consequences of offenses such as domestic violence, theft, burglary, firearms and controlled substance offenses. The renewal of green cards and naturalization for immigrants with criminal records will also be covered.

Jodi Goodwin, Harlingen, TX
J Joseph Reina, Dallas, TX

9:15 p.m. Adjourn

THURSDAY MORNING – OCT. 18, 2007

Presiding Officer:
Jodi Goodwin, Harlingen, TX

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:20 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

8:30 a.m. .75 hr

A Nation of Immigrants, Nonimmigrants, Citizens, and Undocumented Persons

A framework of family-based and employment-based immigration, as of October 2007.

Paul Parsons, Austin, TX

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

The Fundamentals of Citizenship Including Acquisition, Derivation and Proof Problems

Every immigration practitioner needs to know the basics of citizenship, including acquisition and derivation. In addition, border practitioners are seeing more proof problems when the client has two (or more!) birth certificates from different countries.

Daniel M. Kowalski, Austin, TX

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. .75 hr

Family Based Immigration Categories: Getting the Relatives (or About-to-Be Relatives) Here

A discussion of family-based immigration categories including strategies and options for dealing with extended family members and fiancées.

Nancy Taylor Shivers, San Antonio, TX

11:15 a.m. 1.00 hr including .25 hr ethics

Adjustment of Status in 2007: Top Ten Mistakes to Avoid, Part 1

To adjust or not to adjust: that is the question. What is the answer? This panel will discuss the adjustment of status process including eligibility, grandfathering, inadmissibility, affidavit of support requirements and important exceptions, prior removal/deportation orders, potential waivers.

Richard S. Fischer, Nacogdoches, TX
J Joseph Reina, Dallas, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

12:15 p.m. Pick Up Box Lunch
Included in conference registration fee.

12:30 p.m. .75 hr

A Discussion of the Failure of Comprehensive Immigration Reform—Lessons Learned and Consequences

The speaker will discuss the political fallout from the Comprehensive Immigration Reform (CIR)

debacle, the increase in state and local legislative and ordinance efforts, and the continuing conflation of civil and criminal realms in the context of immigration.

Kathleen Campbell Walker, El Paso, TX

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer: Paul Parsons, Austin, TX

1:30 p.m. .75 hr

Adjustment of Status in 2007: Top Ten Mistakes to Avoid, Part 2

There is no question: If you can adjust status, do so. If you cannot adjust status you must face the alternative of consular processing. This session covers consular cases from the National Visa Center to the Consular Post. Emphasis will be on Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Bars and waivers will be discussed on a practical level including time-frame for adjudication and new InfoPass appointment system for CIS in Ciudad Juarez.

Richard S. Fischer, Nacogdoches, TX
J Joseph Reina, Dallas, TX

2:15 p.m. 1.00 hr

The Lions at the Gate: Tales of Adventure & Chance

Dealing with Waivers for Grounds of Inadmissibility—how to be well-prepared when dealing with the Consulate.

Moderator: Michelle L. Saenz-Rodriguez,
Dallas, TX
Wafa Abdin, Houston, TX
Matt Gallagher, Dallas, TX

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. 2.00 hrs including .25 hr ethics

A Primer on Removal

Never been to a removal hearing? Been to several and still need pointers? This panel will discuss the ABC's of removal hearings including discussions on the Notice to Appear, pleadings, forms of relief, witnesses, evidence, local rules, appellate procedures and jurisdiction. From the basics to the details often forgotten to the more complex/advanced issues in removal defense, this panel will offer nuggets for all levels of knowledge.

Moderator: Jodi Goodwin, Harlingen, TX
Mary Elizabeth Cedillo, Dallas, TX
Iliana Munoz Holguin, El Paso, TX

5:30 p.m. Adjourn to Reception

Presiding Officer: Harry J. Joe, Dallas, TX

8:00 a.m. 1.00 hr including .50 hr ethics

Of Counsel—Ask the Experts

A leading panel of experienced practitioners will answer questions from conference registrants. Questions may be submitted in advance via email to service@utcle.org or at the conference.

- Richard S. Fischer, Nacogdoches, TX
- Harry Gee Jr., Houston, TX
- Jodi Goodwin, Harlingen, TX
- Harry J. Joe, Dallas, TX
- Robert Shivers, San Antonio, TX
- Carl Shusterman, Los Angeles, CA
- Peter D. Williamson, Houston, TX

9:00 a.m. .50 hr

Working Around the H-1B Cap

Cap exempt H-1Bs and Alternatives to H-1B, including Intra-company Transferees, Treaty Traders and Investors, Extraordinary Ability Workers, Canadian & Mexican Professionals, Trainees and Business Visitors.

- Judy J. Lee, Houston, TX

9:30 a.m. 1.00 hr

What's New with PERM in 2007

This session will discuss the latest trends and information relating to the PERM labor certification process including recruitment requirements, completing Form 9089, and identifying trigger questions and audits.

- Ron Klasko, Philadelphia, PA

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .75 hr

Immigration Options and Issues for Religious Workers

Have you ever considered the R-1 or the EB-4 religious worker categories for your client and were concerned about the current USCIS approach to these classifications? This session will discuss current R-1 and EB-4 practices, and cover USCIS proposed regulations and where USCIS wants to take the religious worker categories.

- Stewart Rabinowitz, Dallas, TX

11:30 a.m. .75 hr ethics

Ethical Issues Faced by Immigration Lawyers

This session will discuss ethical issues arising from dual representation situations and how immigration lawyers can avoid grievances, and how they should respond to grievances and malpractice lawsuits, and

the unauthorized practice of law and fee splitting relationships.

- Moderator: Harry J. Joe, Dallas, TX
- B. Prater Monning III, Dallas, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

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12:30 p.m. .75 hr

Law Office Management Issues for Immigration Lawyers

Practical advice on office processes and forms, and how effective time management can reduce your time in the office.

- Moderator: Paul Parsons, Austin, TX
- Richard S. Fischer, Nacogdoches, TX
- Vanna Slaughter, Dallas, TX
- J. Joseph Reina, Dallas, TX

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:
Magali S. Candler, Houston, TX

1:30 p.m. .75 hr

Mandamus and Other Options for Judicial Relief

Delays on non-responsive status inquiries leave every lawyer questioning: What can I do to make the government do its job? This panel will discuss the rising swell of federal court litigation including mandamus in security check delays in adjustment and naturalization cases, federal court authority to adjudicate naturalization applications pursuant to INA 336 (8 USC 1447). Practical guide and pointers for getting your case adjudicated.

- Ron Klasko, Philadelphia, PA

2:15 p.m. .50 hr

Essential Tax Facts for Immigration Lawyers

In many immigration cases income tax problems can delay, or even terminate, the progress of your client's immigration case. This presentation will cover common tax problems and solutions that immigration attorneys should be aware of in order to keep their client's case moving forward. Also, any income tax filing requirements contained in newly passed or pending immigration legislation will be reviewed.

- Robert W. Alcorn, Dallas, TX

2:45 p.m. .75 hr

Using the Internet to Stay Current with Immigration Laws, Procedures, and Agency Interpretations

How to more effectively use the Internet to market your practice, conduct legal research, check case status, access current processing times, and keep current with new laws, procedures, and agency interpretations.

- Eugene J. Flynn, Dallas, TX
- Carl Shusterman, Los Angeles, CA

3:30 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m. .50 hr

Immigrants, The Reach of Local Laws, and Preemption

This session will examine the extent to which state and local laws that seek to regulate employment by aliens are pre-empted by IRCA under the supremacy clause to the US Constitution. It will examine in detail all major court cases on pre-emption and apply these legal concepts to these legislative initiatives. It will not focus on state and local enforcement in the criminal realm but just in the civil arena. It will suggest that there may not be such a clear answer as observers might suspect at first glance and that, simply because a statute deals with someone from another country, does not necessarily make it an immigration issue.

- Gary E. Endelman, Houston, TX

4:15 p.m. .75 hr

Worksite Enforcement

What employers and employees need to know about ICE raids, I-9s, audits, social security no-match letters and other enforcement matters.

- Magali S. Candler, Houston, TX
- Nicole Lawrence Ezer, Houston, TX

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

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“Speakers were excellent and extremely qualified. Great job!”

“Overall, a great conference!”

“Barbara Hines and Lee Terán were outstanding choices to open the program.”

“Great conference—I loved the new schedule as it progressed from basics to more advanced topics. Excellent speakers!”

“Thank you for putting together a very worthwhile conference.”

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