# **Back to School for Business Immigration Attorneys**

October 17, 2014 Chicago Bar Association, 321 S. Plymouth Ct., Chicago, IL 60604 7:45 am to 1:00 pm

7:45 - 8:10 am: Check-in & Registration

8:10 - 8:15 am: Introduction & Welcoming Remarks

8:15 - 9:15 am: The ABCs of EB-1 & EB-2 National Interest Waivers

William Schiller, Tzu-Kai Lo & Tejas Shah

- Overview of the basic requirements & important case law
- Practice pointers on organizing the petition, which documents carry more weight than others, and what to do when shortage of certain documents
- Trends in Requests for Evidence & other post-filing issues (e.g. portability)

9:15 - 10:15 am: Getting into College: Dealing with F-1 Students

Scott Pollock, Robert White & DSO (TBD)

- Common travel issues (e.g. pre and post completion, cap-gap, etc.)
- How to get degree STEM certified & re-certified
- Employment rules (e.g. CPT, OPT, part-time, on/off campus, concurrent, unpaid, etc.)
- Maximizing OPT/CPT to reach next H-1B filing
- Change of status issues (e.g. I-20 validity, start dates, etc.)
- Reinstatement of status

10:15 - 10:30 am: Recess! (Break)

10:30 - 11:30 am: Career Services: Working with Start-Ups & Dealing with Corporate Changes

\*Derek Strain, Ian Wagreich, Elizabeth Rompf Bruen & Michelle Jacobson\*

- NIV options for entrepreneurs and start-up companies
- Common pre-filing issues (e.g. owner beneficiary, brand new company, etc.)
- Dealing with mergers & acquisitions (e.g. NIV amendments, LCA affidavits, impact on PERM/I-140 and I-485, I-140 successor-in-interest petitions, etc.)
- Promotions & changes to position throughout EB green card process
- Changes in job location & impact on NIV & EB green card process
- Changes in company name & DBA

11:30 - 12:30 pm: Avoiding the Principal's Office: Ethics Issues in Business Immigration

Nancy Vizer, Timothy Payne & Scott Renfroe (ARDC)

- Who's the client? Dealing with employer & employee when retained by one party
- Who's the employer? Dealing with multiple HR, VPs, managers, etc.
- Disclosing certain information to employer/employee (e.g. news of a lay-off, employee considering leaving, prevailing wage issues, etc.)
- Other common issues and practical pointers in dual representation

12:30 - 1:00 pm: Q&A: Open House with the Teachers

Nancy Vizer, William Schiller, Derek Strain, Scott Pollock & Tzu-Kai Lo

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