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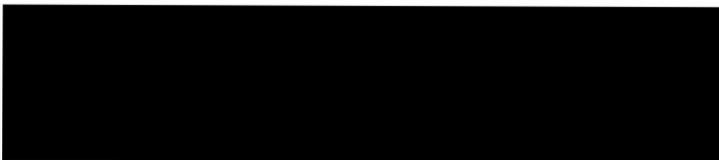


FILE: EAC 04 035 51294 Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER Date: SEP 18 2006

IN RE: Petitioner: [Redacted]  
Beneficiary: [Redacted]

PETITION: Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker Pursuant to Section 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:



INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All documents have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

Robert P. Wiemann, Chief  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The director denied the nonimmigrant visa petition and the matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The petitioner is a recruitment and staffing agency that seeks to employ the beneficiary as a physical therapist. The petitioner, therefore, endeavors to extend the beneficiary's nonimmigrant classification as a worker in a specialty occupation pursuant to section 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b).

The record of proceeding before the AAO contains: (1) the Form I-129 and supporting documentation; (2) the director's request for additional evidence; (3) the petitioner's response to the director's request; (4) the director's denial letter; and (5) the Form I-290B. The AAO reviewed the record in its entirety before issuing its decision.

Counsel submitted the Form I-290B on April 18, 2005. Counsel marked the box at section two of the Form I-290B to indicate that a brief and/or evidence would be sent within 30 days. The AAO did not receive this additional brief and/or evidence. As such, the AAO faxed a follow-up letter to counsel's office on August 3, 2006, requesting that the brief and/or additional evidence be sent within five business days.

Counsel did not respond to the AAO's facsimile. Thus, the AAO deems the record complete and ready for adjudication.

An officer to whom an appeal is taken shall summarily dismiss any appeal when the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v).

The only new document submitted on appeal is the Form I-290B, which states the following:

The Service reached its conclusion based on some misapprehension [sic] of facts which petitioner wishes to refute with its submission of a brief.

Counsel fails to identify any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal. As no additional evidence is presented on appeal to overcome the decision of the director, the appeal will be summarily dismissed in accordance with 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v).

The burden of proof in these proceedings rests solely with the petitioner. Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1361. The petitioner has not sustained that burden.

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed. The petition is denied.