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Date: **JUN 25 2012**

Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER

FILE: 

IN RE: Petitioner:  
Beneficiary:



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: SELF-REPRESENTED

INSTRUCTIONS:

Enclosed please find the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All of the documents related to this matter have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. Please be advised that any further inquiry that you might have concerning your case must be made to that office.

If you believe the AAO inappropriately applied the law in reaching its decision, or you have additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reconsider or a motion to reopen in accordance with the instructions on Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion, with a fee of \$630. The specific requirements for filing such a motion can be found at 8 C.F.R. § 103.5. **Do not file any motion directly with the AAO.** Please be aware that 8 C.F.R. § 103.5(a)(1)(i) requires any motion to be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider or reopen.

Thank you,

Perry Rhew  
Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The nonimmigrant visa petition was denied by the service center director, and the matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be dismissed as the matter is now moot.

The petitioner provides therapy and special instruction for children with disabilities, and it seeks to employ the beneficiary as a Clinical Fellow – Speech Language Pathology. The petitioner, therefore, endeavors to classify the beneficiary as a nonimmigrant 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 director denied the petition, finding that the petitioner failed to establish that the beneficiary was qualified to perform the services of a specialty occupation position. On appeal, the petitioner contends that the director's findings were erroneous and submits a brief in support of this contention.

A review of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records indicates that on January 24, 2011, a date subsequent to the denial of the instant petition, the petitioner submitted a new Form I-129 on behalf of the beneficiary. USCIS records further indicate that this second petition was approved on February 24, 2011, which granted the beneficiary H-1B status from February 24, 2011 until April 30, 2012. Because the beneficiary in the instant petition has been approved for H-1B employment with the petitioner based upon the filing of another petition, further pursuit of the matter at hand is moot.

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