



U.S. Citizenship  
and Immigration  
Services

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DATE: **APR 16 2014**

Office: CALIFORNIA SERVICE CENTER

IN RE:

Petitioner:

Beneficiary:

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

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

INSTRUCTIONS:

Enclosed please find the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) in your case.

This is a non-precedent decision. The AAO does not announce new constructions of law nor establish agency policy through non-precedent decisions. If you believe the AAO incorrectly applied current law or policy to your case or if you seek to present new facts for consideration, you may file a motion to reconsider or a motion to reopen, respectively. Any motion must be filed on a Notice of Appeal or Motion (Form I-290B) within 33 days of the date of this decision. **Please review the Form I-290B instructions at <http://www.uscis.gov/forms> for the latest information on fee, filing location, and other requirements. See also 8 C.F.R. § 103.5. Do not file a motion directly with the AAO.**

Thank you,

Ron Rosenberg  
Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The Director, California Service Center, denied the employment-based nonimmigrant visa petition. The matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The petitioner is a church. It seeks classification of the beneficiary as a nonimmigrant religious worker pursuant to section 101(a)(15)(R) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(R), to perform services as a pastor. The director determined that the petitioner failed to submit required evidence to establish that it is a bona fide non-profit religious organization or a bona fide organization that is affiliated with the religious denomination, and failed to establish the beneficiary's denominational membership during the two years immediately preceding the filing of the petition.

On appeal, the petitioner generally states that the director erred in her findings but provides no specific contention such as an error in the director's analysis or a failure to consider a particular piece of evidence. On the Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion, filed on January 15, 2014, the petitioner indicated that a brief and/or additional evidence would be forthcoming within thirty days. By correspondence dated January 13, 2014, the petitioner asked for an additional 90 days in which to file a brief. As of this date, more than 90 days after the petitioner's request for an extension of time, no further brief or evidence has been received.

The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v) provides that an appeal shall be summarily dismissed if the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal. The petitioner has not specifically addressed the reasons stated for denial and has not provided any additional evidence. The appeal must therefore be summarily dismissed.

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed.