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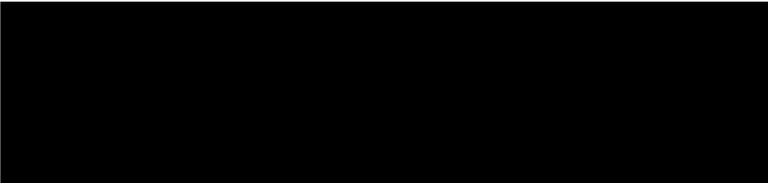
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IN RE: Petitioner:
Beneficiary:



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:



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.

If you believe the law was inappropriately applied or you have additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reconsider or a motion to reopen. Please refer to 8 C.F.R. § 103.5 for the specific requirements. All motions must be submitted to the office that originally decided your case by filing a Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion, with a fee of \$585. Any motion must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider, as required by 8 C.F.R. § 103.5(a)(1)(i).

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 summarily dismissed.

The petitioner describes itself as an information technology business that seeks to employ the beneficiary as a programmer. 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 because the petitioner failed to establish: that it qualifies as an employer or agent; and that the proffered position is a specialty occupation.

On October 23, 2009, counsel for the petitioner submitted a Form I-290B (Notice of Appeal) without a brief or evidence. Although counsel entered a check mark at the box at section 2 of the Form I-290B which indicates that the petitioner would send a brief and/or evidence within 30 days, the AAO has received neither.

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 information about the basis of the appeal is the statement, at section 3 of the Form I-290B, which reads, verbatim:

Dear officer – the terms and conditions of employment are almost the same as the time when [the petitioner] filed a H-1B previously on behalf of [the beneficiary].

CIS needs to maintain consistently [sic] in the application of its policies/regulations.

We will submit a memorandum within 30 days. We request you to hold this petition for review till then.

Counsel fails to specify how the director made any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact in denying the petition. Simply stating that the terms and conditions of employment are almost the same as when the petitioner filed a previous H-1B petition on behalf of the beneficiary without specifically identifying how the director erred is an insufficient basis for an appeal. As the petitioner does not present additional evidence on appeal to overcome the well-founded 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 this proceeding 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 summarily dismissed.