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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Administrative Appeals Office (AAO)
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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

DATE: APR 19 2013 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:

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,

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for Ron Rosenberg
Acting Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The nonimmigrant visa petition was revoked by the service center director and the matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal.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 submitted a Petition for Nonimmigrant Worker (Form I-129) to the Vermont Service Center on November 18, 2009. In the Form I-129 visa petition, the petitioner describes itself as a general dentistry practice established in 1984. In order to employ the beneficiary in what it designates as a dentist position, the petitioner seeks to classify him as a nonimmigrant worker in a specialty occupation 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).

The petition was initially approved; however, on August 17, 2012, the director revoked the approval on the basis that the petitioner failed to establish a valid employer-employee relationship. Specifically, the director noted that an administrative site visit to verify the beneficiary's employment revealed that the beneficiary may be a co-owner of the business and that the evidence did not establish who has the authority to hire, fire, pay, and change the beneficiary's job duties, or otherwise control his work. On appeal, counsel asserts that the director's basis for revocation of the approval of the petition was erroneous.

A review of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records indicates that this beneficiary is also the beneficiary of an approved immigrant petition and has adjusted status to that of a U.S. permanent resident as of March 28, 2013. While the petitioner has not withdrawn the appeal in this proceeding, it would appear that the beneficiary is presently a permanent resident and the issues in this proceeding are moot. Therefore, this appeal is dismissed.

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