EB-1B I-140 Approvals in October 2010

This report includes four (4) EB-1B I-140 cases filed by Liu & Associates and approved by the USCIS in October 2010. In the past few months, USCIS adjudication of I-140 cases has been significantly slowing down. As a result, we had fewer I-140 cases approved in October than in a regular month. Also, as a result, a large number of I-140 cases have been pending over four (4) months, the USCIS posted processing time for I-140 petitions. Recently we have received numerous inquiries in regard to the USCIS Interim Memorandum following Kazarian and whether USCIS has raised the bar for EB-1B petitions. So far, we have not seen a clear trend of change or USCIS policy shift regarding EB-1B adjudication.

Here we list the basic credentials of each approved case and hope our readers find the information helpful. For confidentiality purpose, a numeric number is assigned to replace the petitioner/beneficiary's name in each case. It is our firm's policy to hold client's Information strictly confidential.

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Case #1

Case Type: Eb-1B I-140 Field of Research: Physics

Current Position: Research scientist at an energy company

Major Credentials: Ph.D. from a US university

Published 20+ journal and conference papers

Invited to review the works of others

Frequently cited by other researchers worldwide

Supporting Letters: 5 including 1 independent experts

Filing Date: May 21, 2010 Approval Date: October 5, 2010

Case # 2

Case Type: Eb-1B I-140

Field of Research: Electrical and Computer Engineering
Current Position: Research scientist at a technology company

Major Credentials: Ph.D. from a US university

Published 9 journal and conference papers

Consistently invited to review the works of others Frequently cited by other researchers worldwide

Supporting Letters: 6 including 2 independent experts

Filing Date: October 7, 2010 Approval Date: October 13, 2010

Case #3

Case Type: Eb-1B I-140

Field of Research: Chemical Engineering

Current Position: Assistant professor at state university

Major Credentials: Ph.D. from a US university

Published 20+ journal and conference papers Consistently invited to review the works of others Cited approximately 140+ times by other researchers

Supporting Letters: 5 including 4 independent experts

Filing Date: September 09, 2010 Approval Date: October 4, 2010

Case #4

Case Type: Eb-1B I-140

Field of Research: Materials Science and Engineering
Current Position: Researcher at an energy company
Major Credentials: Ph.D. from a US university

Published 20+ journal papers

Invited to review the works of others 10+ times Cited approximately 330+ times by other researchers

Supporting Letters: 6 including 2 independent experts

Filing Date: September 28, 2010 Approval Date: October 13, 2010

For more approved cases, please see http://www.niwus.com/Approvals.html.