The Informed Immigrant







Summer 2009

H-1B Visas Still Available!

As of May 18, 2009, USCIS received 45,500 of the 65,000 H-1B general cap visas. USCIS will continue to accept new applications until the cap is reached.

Walt Disney's Immigration Legacy: the Q-1 Visa

Does the work you perform, or the job you offer involve sharing the culture, history, and traditions of your country with the American public? If so, you may be eligible for the Q-1 visa. This visa is intended for foreign nationals participating in an international cultural exchange program in the U.S. The visa category

was created largely as a result of the Walt Disney Company's lobby of Congress to establish a visa category for its foreign unskilled workers, participating in cultural exchanges with the public at its theme parks and resorts. Under the Q-1 visa program, foreign nationals can work or participate in a training program for a maximum of fifteen months in a school,

museum, business or any place the public will be exposed to the cultural aspects of the exchange program. An essential element of the foreign national's job or training must be the sharing of the history, culture and traditions of his or her country. The cultural component cannot be independent of the job or training.

Irish President Launches IPC's Senior Program

At a morning reception on May 29, 2009, Irish President Mary McAleese formally launched the Irish Pastoral Centre's Senior Citizen Outreach Program. During the President's visit to Massachusetts, she credited the Irish community for contributing to the development of their homeland. With the

downturn of the Irish economy, the President commented that more Irish will look across the Atlantic to Boston for opportunities. New Irish immigrants will find refuge and assistance at the Irish Pastoral Centre, where, since 1987, it has been helping Irish immigrants transition to life in the U.S. Among its varied

and diverse programs, the Centre offers immigration advice and assistance. Sedna Law attorneys offer pro bono assistance through the Centre's monthly immigration clinics. Read further about President McAleese in the Boston Globe article "Past is present in our minds".

How to Lose Your Green Card...it's easier than you think

If you wish to lose your green card, here are some surefire ways to help you accomplish this:

1. Living permanently in another country and "visiting" the U.S. Many immigrants mistakenly believe that once they obtain their green card, they can go back to live in their home country and keep their green card by visiting the U.S. once every six months. This is one of the most painless ways of surrendering your green card.

- 2. Traveling outside of the U.S. for more than one year without first obtaining a reentry permit.
- 3. Failing to file your income taxes.
- 4. Declaring yourself a nonimmigrant on your tax returns.
- 5. Registering and voting in elections that require you to be a U.S. citizen. This is not only a great way to jeopardize your residence status but also a perfect way to obtain an

invitation to immigration court.

- 6. Failing to register for Selective Service if you are a male and of the age of 18 to
- 7. Committing certain types of crimes. Not all criminal convictions are created equal. Some convictions are better than others at keeping you out of the U.S. Several of them will even guarantee that you never come back.



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requesting your services.

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Next, establish how much time and money you can spend on your newsletter. These factors will help determine how frequently you publish your newsletter and its length. You should publish your newsletter at least quarterly so that it's

considered a consistent source of information. Your customers or employees will look forward to its arrival.

Your headlines are an important part of the newsletter and should be considered carefully.



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You can also research articles or find "filler" articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics, but try to keep your articles short.

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appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

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E-mail

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About Our Organization

Sedna is a planet-like body discovered in 2004 by a team of U.S. researchers. Sedna is the most distant confirmed planetary object located in our solar system to date – more than 84

billion miles from the sun.
Sedna is slowly traveling
towards Earth and will reach
its closest point in
approximately 70 years.
Sedna is named for the Inuit
goddess of the ocean, who

Inuit hunters must appease if they are to travel safely across the seas. Inspired by this namesake, Sedna Law strives to ease the journey of travelers from afar

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