



Three-Part Telephone Seminar:

## Foreign Physician Immigration Options for Experts

**Speakers: Jan Pederson (Discussion Leader), Robert Aronson, Joseph Curran, Bruce Hake, Kristen Harris, Dayna Kelly, Jennifer Minear, Greg Siskind, Karen Pollins, and Barry Walker.**

**Registration Deadline: March 18, 2014**

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### SEMINAR OUTLINE

#### FIRST Phone Session on February 27, 2014 - Non-immigrant Options for Physicians

- H-1B vs. J-1 for Graduate Medical Training: Weighing the Pros and Cons Notice of Inspection
- H-1B Clinicians and Academicianst
  - Qualifying for Cap Exemption
  - Dual Appointments and Licensing Concerns
  - Prevailing Wage Issues for Physicians - Secret Tips Revealed
  - Physicians of National or International Renown - Beating the USMLE
  - How to Beat the Six Year Limit on H-1B Status And then what?
  - Statute of Limitation Issues
- J-1 Residents and Fellows Negotiations
  - Moonlight Issues
  - Travel During Training - Looming 214(b) Issues
  - Credentialing and Licensure Concerns
  - How Residents and Fellows are Segregated in the Matching Process - J, H, EAD, Asylee, Refugees, LPRs
- O-1 - Which Physicians make the grade? Can you be an extraordinary resident or fellow?
- TN - Can you ever be a clinical resident on a TN?
- E-2, L-2, Asylees, Refugees; EAD Status for GME

#### SECOND Phone Session on March 20, 2014 - J-1 Clinical Waivers for Physicians

- Interested Government Agency Waivers
  - Worsening shortage of waiver slots requires strategy change
  - Conrad State 30
  - Delta Regional Authority
  - Appalachian Regional Commission
  - HHS (Clinical and Research)
  - VA
  - Northern Border Regional Commission (expected soon)
- Harship and Persecution Waivers
  - Advantages and Disadvantages
  - Requirements
  - Processing Times
- Timing Issues: Can we put all the pieces together by July 1 and strategies if a piece is missing by July 1?
- How many waivers can you have pending at one time?
- What if the federal or state IGA waiver job goes south?

#### THIRD Phone Session on April 3, 2014 - Immigration Options for Physicians and Summary of Pending Physician Legislation

- Pending Physician Legislation and what it will do for your clients
- PERM
  - Strategies for drafting the ETA 9089
  - Advertising requirements—short and sweet?
  - Timing, licensing and board eligibility requirements
  - EB1 “Extraordinary Ability”
  - EB2 NIW NYSDOT



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- EB2 NIW Physician
  - What time counts
  - Changes in Jobs and Filing Requirements
- EB5
- Asylum

### ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

**Jan Pederson (Discussion Leader)** is a shareholder with Maggio-Kattar, PC in Washington DC, where she has practiced immigration law for over thirty years. Her business immigration practice focuses on the representation of physicians and their employers. She has been an advocate for physician immigration for decades and been instrumental in the passage of legislation which expand the opportunities of foreign physician for immigration, working on legislative and administrative solutions. She is a founding member of the International Medical Graduates Task Force, the founder and publisher of J-1 Physician News and is the featured speaker at the national annual Foreign Physician Immigration Conferences. She has been key to the establishment of J-1 waiver programs with several government agencies. She currently serves on the AILA Health Care Professionals Committee and as a member of the Federal Bar Association Immigration Law Section Board. Previously she was Chapter President of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and an elected member of the Board of Governors of AILA for eighteen years. Her email is [isjan@maggio-kattar.com](mailto:isjan@maggio-kattar.com).

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**Joseph Curran** has been exclusively involved in the practice of immigration and nationality law since 1985, with experience representing clients in all aspects of this area of law. He has served as counsel to numerous individuals, major corporations, universities, and research institutions, specializing in immigration issues impacting on business and family-based sponsorship in the New England area. Mr. Curran currently serves on the Massachusetts Bar Association Bar's Immigration Law Section, as well as chairing the MBA's Immigration Essentials Program. Mr. Curran is also a member of the American Health Lawyers Association, the Labor and Employment Substantive Law Committee, and AILA's Healthcare Committee.

**Bruce Hake** has concentrated on J-1 waiver cases for more than 20 years and has written extensively on J-1 law, especially J-1 exceptional hardship waivers. His publications are listed at [www.hake.com/pc](http://www.hake.com/pc).

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