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**Seminar Outline**

**FIRST Phone Session on Feb 23, 2006:**

- Mechanics of Filing
- Important PERM Definitions in Regulations
- Preparation of 9089 - Inconsistencies and Contradictions
- Filing Checklists -- Employer, Alien, Job Duties
- O\*Net and Prevailing Wage
- Applications to Qualify for 2nd Preference
- Proposed Rules on Substitution

**SECOND Phone Session on Mar 16, 2006:**

- Details in Ads and Recruitment
- Recruitment Strategy
- Notice, Posting & SWA's
- Regular and Professional Ads & Options
- Special Handling & Schedule A
- Review of Resumes
- Legal Rejection of US Workers
- Employer Recruitment Reports

**THIRD Phone Session on Apr 13, 2006:**

- Audit Proofing & Audits
- Recently Emerging Issues
- Restrictive Requirements
- Good Faith Requirements
- Impact of BALCA on PERM
- Reconsideration and Appeals

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### About the Speakers

**Joel Stewart** practices exclusively in the area of immigration law. Mr. Stewart specialized in Romance and Slavic Linguistics before receiving a J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law, and is fluent in Portuguese, Spanish, French, and Russian. He is Past President of the South Florida Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) and is a nationally recognized authority on employment-based immigration matters as well as a popular speaker at immigration seminars for national and local bar associations throughout the United States. Mr. Stewart is the editor of The Perm Book, the definitive authority on the subject of PERM processing of labor certifications, and the editor/author of The Perm Quarterly, a professional journal that compiles and develops updated information on PERM for attorneys and employers. Mr. Stewart has been writing the BALCA Case Summaries for AILA and Immigration Law Today since 1987 and authors official AILA articles and publications such as the Visa Processing Guide for Procedures at U.S. Consulates and Embassies in Brazil and Portugal. Mr. Stewart writes weekly newspaper columns for the Brazilian Times and the Brazilian Paper and presents a weekly radio program in Portuguese on Radio Brazil. In addition to supervising an exchange program for foreign law students to work and study in the U.S., Mr. Stewart has also lectured at the University of Law in Saint Petersburg, Russia, and heads the immigration committee for the Dade County Bar Association in Miami, Florida.

**Lorna Rogers Burgess** is a member of the employment law department at Parsons, Behle & Latimer. Since 1984, she has concentrated her practice on immigration and nationality law. She is active in the national organization of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and was the founder and first chair of the Utah Chapter. Ms. Burgess has been a member of the faculty at the Annual Conferences of the American Immigration Lawyers Association since 1988, where she has spoken on the issues of Bars to Admissibility in 1996 Immigration Act, Employment Based Immigration, Labor Certification and Employer's Sanctions under the Immigration Reform Control Act of 1986. Ms. Burgess is licensed in the United States District Court, District of Utah, 1990; Utah State Bar, 1990; United States District Court, District of Colorado, 1981; Colorado State Bar, 1981. She graduated from Williams College (B.A., 1976) and the University of Colorado (J.D., 1980).

**R. Blake Chisam** practices exclusively in the area of Immigration and Nationality Law as a partner in the firm of Chisam & Majid. He advises organizations with respect to immigration-related policy, employment, civil rights, and health care law matters, including related white-collar criminal and regulatory compliance issues. Mr. Chisam is an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association ("AILA"), for which he currently serves on its Business Litigation committee, and the American Bar Association ("ABA"). In October 2000, Mr. Chisam and his partner Jasmine A. Majid were awarded the prestigious Meritorious Public Service Award from the Director of the U.S. Department of Justice's Executive Office for Immigration Review, which was presented by then-Attorney General Janet Reno, in recognition of their "tireless and distinguished pro bono efforts on behalf of unrepresented aliens detained by the ... Immigration and Naturalization Service." Mr. Chisam has lectured on immigration law to law students at universities across the U.S., and he is a frequent author and lecturer to professional associations, academic symposia and community groups. He is admitted to practice in New York, Maryland, Pennsylvania and a host of federal courts. He is currently revising the 2005- 2006 Editions of Business Immigration Practice and [Immigration Practice](#).

**Jane Goldblum** who has limited her practice to immigration, nationality and consular law since 1980, is listed in the June 2004 and in the June 2005 issue of Philadelphia Magazine as one of the top immigration attorneys in Pennsylvania ([www.superlawyers.com](http://www.superlawyers.com)) and is listed in the 2005 publication Best Lawyers in America as one of America's best immigration lawyers ([www.bestlawyers.com](http://www.bestlawyers.com)). Soon after graduating in 1979 from Yeshiva University's Benjamin N. Cardozo law school, Jane joined Wildes & Weinberg, a leading New York immigration law firm, best known for its successful representation of John Lennon. In 1981, she joined Dilworth, Paxson, Kalish & Kauffman, where for 6 years, Jane led Dilworth's corporate immigration practice. In 1988, Jane, believing that the practice of immigration law, which is so personal, does not belong in a large law firm, joined with Wendy Hess to form Goldblum & Hess. Based outside of Philadelphia (in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania), Jane is a past Chair of the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers' Association (AILA), has served on AILA National's Board, and has served numerous times as a liaison with the Philadelphia office of both the US CIS and Department of Labor. Jane also is a frequent writer and speaker on issues pertaining to the acquisition of nonimmigrant and immigrant visas—particularly on an employment basis. Jane is past Chair and an active member current Chair of the Civil Rights Committee of the Anti-Defamation League and a supporter of Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International.

**Michael E. Piston** has been practicing exclusively in the field of U.S. immigration law since 1986. His firm specializes in the representation of foreign professionals and their employers, particularly in the software and engineering consulting fields.

**Lawrence H. Rudnick** is a partner in the law firm of Steel, Rudnick & Ruben whose practice is limited exclusively to immigration and nationality law. Mr. Rudnick has over 20 years of experience practicing law with over fifteen years exclusively in the practice of immigration law. Mr. Rudnick's practice emphasizes business immigration law, especially the international transfer of executive, managerial, professional and specialized knowledge employees. The emphasis is on prompt and efficient service. Mr. Rudnick's practice encompasses a full spectrum of business immigration clients including multinational corporations, hi-tech companies and individuals within the entertainment industry. Typical clients include multinational manufacturing, engineering and service industry companies. Mr. Rudnick also engages in an extensive administrative and judicial litigation practice involving immigration law issues. He has achieved significant litigation results, including a leading case defining specialized knowledge for purposes of the intra-company transferee provision of the U.S. immigration laws. Mr. Rudnick is a graduate of the American University in Washington, D.C. and holds a Juris Doctor from The Villanova University School of Law, Class of 1975. He joined the predecessor firm to Steel, Rudnick & Ruben in 1981 and became a partner in the firm in 1986. Mr. Rudnick has written numerous articles related to business immigration issues and is an editor of Immigration Advisor, a professional publication directed to international human resource professionals. He is an annual speaker at the National Conference of the American Immigration Lawyers Association.

**Stacy Shore** is an associate attorney in Berry, Appleman & Leiden's Washington, DC/Tysons, VA office. Ms. Shore handles an array of business immigration matters, including labor certification applications, immigrant visa petitions, applications to adjust status and consular processing, as well as nonimmigrant visa petitions for intracompany transferees, specialty occupations, and individuals of extraordinary ability. Prior to joining our firm, Ms. Shore was an associate with a global immigration firm in its Washington, DC, office handling employment-based immigration matters for major international companies. Ms. Shore also handled family-based immigration cases and naturalization applications. While in law school, Ms. Shore clerked



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at the U.S. Immigration Court in Philadelphia. Ms. Shore is an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. Ms. Shore received her B.A. in Sociology from Brandeis University in 1993. She earned her J.D. from Temple University's Beasley School of Law in 1999, where she served as a member of The Political & Civil Rights Law Review, and as Managing Editor of the law school newspaper, Class Action. Ms. Shore is licensed in Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia.

**Nathan A. Waxman** served as expert witness before the Board of Alien Certification Appeals and the Executive Office of Immigration Review on labor certification and employment-based immigration matters. He has served on numerous local and national AILA committees and has participated in the drafting and submission of comments to the Department of Labor and the former Immigration and Naturalization Service, in response to proposed rulemaking regarding key issues in employment-based immigration law. He has been the author of numerous articles on topics ranging from the National Interest Waiver through H-1 portability and cap issues to the representation of alternative health care practitioners. He has served on AILA's New Ideas Committee and is Adjunct Professor of Business Immigration at the School of Professional Studies, City University of New York.

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