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## **Immigration Law Update**

### **Current Developments in Employment-Based Immigration**

#### **Greetings!**

*This is the latest installment in our efforts to keep you apprised of the rapidly changing U.S. immigration environment. Some of the most recent changes could have a serious impact on you or your employees, and we urge you to communicate these changes to interested parties.*

## **US Consulate in Mumbai Reopening for H and L Visa Appointments in September 2011**

The US Consulate in Mumbai, India announced this week that it will reopen for H and L visa interviews starting in September 2011. Applicants will be able to book appointments starting August 26, 2011 for interview dates of September 6, 2011 forward. The Consulate advises that these interviews will temporarily take place at the Lincoln House Consulate building. Individuals needing to arrange visa appointments should contact Rosner Partners for detailed instructions.

## **DOL Temporarily Suspends Issuing Prevailing Wage Determinations**

The Department of Labor has temporarily suspended issuance of prevailing wage determinations. The Department of Labor must comply with a court order to reissue 4,000 prevailing wage determinations for H-2B workers. The Department of Labor has not provided further details on when the suspension is expected to be lifted, however, the DOL must complete the reissuance of prevailing wage determinations for H-2B workers by October 1, 2011. Please note that currently, Labor

Condition Application (LCAs) for H-1B employees have not been affected, and are still being processed in 7 working days. Rosner Partners urges all employers wishing to sponsor individuals for labor certifications to contact us as soon as possible to plan around this delay.

## Ensure Your Company's Information is Correctly Inputted in VIBE

Correcting company information in USCIS's VIBE (Validation Instrument for Business Enterprise) may reduce the number of requests for evidence delays employers receive on their petitions. To create a new record or to verify or correct your existing record, go to D&B's website at [www.dnb.com](http://www.dnb.com), then select the "Update Your Company's Profile" link where you can update you business' information directly. There is no fee to check, update or create your record.

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