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## The Immigration Connection

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Welcome to the **Brauerman Law Firm** newsletter. You are being sent this newsletter because of your interest in immigration and nationality matters. Should you wish to unsubscribe you may do so below.

### TIP of the Month:

Aliens who have been unlawfully present in the U.S. for 181 days or more should seriously consider not traveling outside the U.S. even with "advance parole" because they will be inadmissible and will require a waiver that is increasingly more difficult to obtain.

### Immigrants With Legal Representation FIVE Times as Likely to Win Their Cases as Those Without.

According to an article in New York Times on May 1, 2011, "Immigrants" fate in deportation cases often comes down to whether they can afford a lawyer. Immigrants with legal representation are at least five times as likely to win their cases as those without."

### But Hire Any Lawyer?

"But simply hiring a lawyer is not necessarily a solution. Lazy and unprepared lawyers fill immigration courts, bungling cases at grave costs to their clients, experts say." NY Times, May 1, 2011.

Featured Article



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**"Where's the Beef?"**

**DOJ Announces Settlement with Wendy's Franchise Owners over Citizens-Only Employment Policy.**

A U.S. Department of Justice press release announced a settlement with the corporate owner of several Wendy's restaurants in Maine, over allegations that the Restwend-owned Wendy's restaurants instituted a policy of refusing to hire individuals believed to be non-U.S. citizens since at least 2009.

**ICE Announces Prison Sentence in Harboring and Money Laundering Conspiracy.**

ICE released a press release announcing the owner of an employee leasing company was sentenced to 56 months in federal prison plus three years of supervised release for his role in a multi-state conspiracy to harbor undocumented individuals for commercial gain, and money laundering.

**ICE Updates List of SEVP Approved Schools (Updated 04/27/11).**

On April 25th ICE updated its list of Student and Exchange Visitor Program approved schools. In order to accept foreign students a school must be on the list.

**DOS Advance Copy of Final Rule on Visa Revocation Authority.**

The State Department released an advance copy of a final rule amending DOS regulations to expand consular officer visa revocation authority and allow for provisional visa revocation while final revocation is pending. The rule was effective on 4/27/11 when it was published in the Federal Register.

**Supreme Court Grants Certiorari in 212(c) Case Challenging *Matter of Blake*.**

On April 11th, the U.S. Supreme Court granted certiorari in a case challenging *Matter of Blake*, which held that a person found removable for sexual abuse of a minor, an aggravated felony, was not eligible for 212(c) relief because there was no comparable ground of inadmissibility.

**DHS Extends TPS For Haitians through January 22, 2013.**

The re-designation permits eligible individuals who arrived up to one year after the earthquake in Haiti to receive the protection of TPS. Notice to be published in the Federal Register shortly.

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Jeffrey N. Brauwermlaw, of [Brauwermlaw Firm, P.A.](#), is available for consultations in either of our two offices and is also available for telephonic consultations.

We look forward to meeting with you and ultimately providing you with representation. Please note that a consultation does not constitute an attorney-client relationship although information disclosed during the consultation to any member of the firm will be strictly confidential.

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