

## Practice Areas

### BUSINESS

L-1 Visas

H-1B

H-1B Transfers

Visas

TN Visas (NAFTA)

Special Visas for Other Countries:

- Australia
- Chile / SingaporeE-1

E-1 Visas

E-2 Visas

PERM Labor Certification

### HOSPITALS /HEALTHCARE

H-1C Visas

H-1B Visas for Doctors

### FAMILY

Spouse / Fiancée Visas

Permanent Residence for Family  
within U.S.

Naturalization /Citizenship

### AMNESTY

## State Department Warns Immigrants of Lottery Scam

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The Office of Visa Services for the State Department of the U.S. has issued an alert regarding a huge uptick in fraudulent e-mails and letters sent to visa lottery applicants under the Diversity Immigrant Visa program.

The scammers are typically seeking payment for “final processing” or some other kind of bogus service in connection with the visa application. Some promise immediate delivery of a “Green card” in exchange for a large fee.

Unwary immigrants can be taken in by these phony communications, which often bear the appearance of legitimacy with counterfeit government seals and logos.

Those who have filed visa lottery applications (or other immigration-related applications) should get official information only from the U.S. Department of State or its Website. For information specifically about the lottery, go to <http://www.dvlottery.state.gov>.

You can also check with the Federal Trade Commission site [insert link] for more details about immigration-related scams.

If you are an individual seeking immigration advice for you or your family, please do not hesitate to contact our offices for an appointment at (847)564-0712 and/or feel free to check out the pertinent portion of [our Website](#) for general information.