



EXPEDITED SERVICE AVAILABLE

Because of an exponential increase in the number of I-129 Petitions we now receive for review, and the concomitant increase in turn-around time, numerous immigration attorneys and employers have asked us to implement an EXPEDITED SERVICE OPTION.

To accommodate those requests, in time-sensitive situations, if you send us your petition and supporting documentation via overnight delivery service, we will endeavor to process it on the next business day (but, in any event, before we process non-expedited petitions) and return it to you via Express Mail.

The fee for EXPEDITED SERVICE is \$500 and your check payable to AGMA, AFL-CIO in US funds (attorneys' check or employer's checks or money orders only) *must* be included with the documents. To assure immediate review, please put the phrase EXPEDITED SERVICE clearly on the outside of your package.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Notice to Petitioners

FROM: Alan S. Gordon

RE: Visa Petitions

As of September 16, 2002, AGMA will institute a service charge of \$250.00 for each Visa petition we are asked to review from non-AGMA signatory employers. There will be no exceptions to this policy.

We will not process any petition forwarded to us unless and until that fee has been paid in full, by money order, bank cashier's check or attorney's check payable in U.S. dollars, to: "AGMA".

Please also be advised that we now forward a copy of all Visa petitions to the National Security Threat List Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Please direct any questions about these policies to me, at 212-265-3687.

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NOTICE TO ALL PETITIONERS SEEKING UNION CONSULTATION LETTERS FROM
AGVA FOR INS I-129 VISA PURPOSES:

New processing procedures :

As of the POSTMARK DATE of September 16, 2002, AGVA has instituted a service charge of \$250.00 for each visa petition we are asked to review for consultation purposes in our union jurisdiction per Federal regulations. This charge shall apply to all petitions and petitioners in all visa categories (including petitions for support personnel).

There will be no exceptions to this policy, and the payment of the service charge will in no way guarantee a favorable consultation if the circumstances don't merit one. Nor will the service fee ensure any expedited treatment by AGVA (except as required under Federal regulations).

No petitions sent to AGVA will be processed (or even reviewed) until such time as the service fee has been paid to AGVA in full by MONEY ORDER, BANK CASHIER'S CHECK, OR A CHECK FROM A RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY. No personal or business checks from any other entity will be accepted unless they are a bank cashier's check. AGVA does not accept credit cards for payment of the service fee nor do we accept cash.

All checks must be payable in U.S. dollars and made out to "AGVA".

Union consultations are processed in the order in which they are received and that order is determined by the receipt of all the materials PLUS the Service Charge check (as described above)... and not by the order of receipt of the material if it is not accompanied by the check.

We remind you that all AGVA union consultation letters are mailed out to you and not faxed or sent Federal Express (or via any other courier service). If you want faster return, please enclose a U.S. Postal Service Priority Mail or Express Mail envelope with postage attached.

Also please note that the current address for AGVA is the one listed above on Seventh Avenue in New York City. We have not been at the Fifth Avenue address since June 2001, but many consultation requests are still being sent to AGVA at the old address (for which the post office forwarding order has expired).

Sincerely yours,

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May 14, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to inform you of a change concerning the processing of immigration petitions by Actors' Equity Association. Effective immediately, a fee of \$250 will be required for each consultation letter requested. To expedite your petition, please include a check made out to Actors' Equity Association along with your immigration materials.

Let me also take this opportunity to remind you what is and is not required for a P-3 visa petition. The two most important items are the cover letter and the I-129 form. Most petitions can be processed with these alone. You may wish to include a minimal amount of information about the performance. Please do not send contracts, itineraries, or extensive biographical information.

Thank you for your attention in this matter and, as always, please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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October 4, 2002


TO all Visa Petitioners/Attorneys:

As of November 1, 2002, the I.A.T.S.E. has instituted a service charge of \$250.00 for each visa petition we are asked to review for consultation purposes in our union jurisdiction per Federal Regulations. This charge shall apply to all petitions and petitioners in all visa categories, including support personnel.

Please be advised that payment of the service charge will in no way guarantee a favorable consultation if the circumstances don't merit one. **A money order, bank cashier's check, or a check from a recognized attorney shall accompany each petition. Petitions sent with personal checks will be processed only after such checks clear.**

All checks must be payable in U.S. dollars and made out to I.A.T.S.E.

Sincerely,


Colleen Paul
Immigration Department

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cc: Thomas C. Short, International President
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To: ALL PETITIONERS SEEKING USCIS VISA CONSULTATION LETTERS FROM
AFM (FOR INS-I-129)

From: Stanton Davis, Assistant to Director, Touring, Booking and Immigration

Date: July 23, 2004

Re: New Processing Procedures

Effective September 1, 2004, the American Federation of Musicians ("AFM") will require pre-payment of \$50.00 for each visa advisory opinion we prepare for the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service. This charge shall apply to all petitions and petitioners in all visa categories (including support personnel).

We are implementing this modest charge in order to help defray the considerable labor and material costs incurred by us to provide this government-mandated service. There is one charge per I-129.

NO PERSONAL CHECKS

Petitioners who mail or hand deliver an I-129 packet to the AFM must enclose a corporate check, certified check or money order payable to "AFM Immigration Processing."

Petitions faxed to the "AFM" will not be processed or reviewed until such time as the service fee has been paid.

Thank you for your attention in this matter and, as always, please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Stanton Davis
AFM Touring, Booking and Immigration