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IMMIGRANT VISA CLASSIFICATIONS

Summary

- I. Immediate Relatives – Spouses, minor children of U.S. citizens and parents of U.S. citizens over 21; certain widows and widowers of U.S. citizens.
- II. Family-sponsored Immigrants
 1. Unmarried sons and unmarried daughters of U.S. citizens.
 2. Spouses and unmarried sons and unmarried daughters of permanent resident aliens.
 3. Married sons and married daughters of U.S. citizens.
 4. Brothers and sisters of U.S. citizens.
- III. Employment-based Immigrants
 1. First Preference – Priority Workers
 - a. Aliens with extraordinary ability in the sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics.
 - b. Outstanding professors and researchers.
 - c. Certain multi-national executives and managers.
 2. Second Preference – Certain Professionals
 - a. Members of the professions with advanced degrees or the equivalent.
 - b. Aliens of exceptional ability in sciences, art, or business.
 3. Third Preference – General Workers
 - a. Skilled workers with at least two years training or experience.
 - b. Professionals with baccalaureate degrees and professional jobs.
 - c. Other workers or unskilled labor.
 4. Fourth Preference – All Special Immigrants Except Returning Residents and Former U.S. Citizens.
 5. Fifth Preference – Employment Creation

Aliens engaging in a new commercial enterprise which has been established or is actively in the process of investing a specified amount creating full time employment for not fewer than ten U.S. workers and which will benefit the U.S. economy.

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