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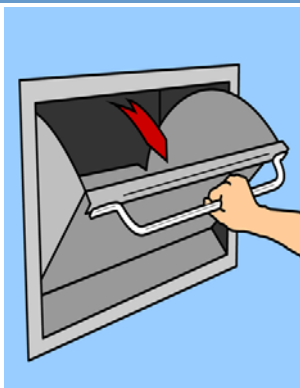
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The Washington District Office (WAS) has created a drop box for documents being submitted in response to Requests for Evidence (RFEs), giving filers the option to submit documents personally, as opposed to mailing them. The drop box has been placed at the end of the triage counter near the exit and

is open from 7:30 am to 4 pm. To be able to drop off

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Revised Filing Instructions for I-90s

USCIS's revised filing instructions for Form I-90, Application to Replace Permanent Resident Card,

documents, filers must:

1. Go through security, but not the triage line;
2. Collate all documents and attach a cover page which lists the alien's name, A# and receipt number;
3. Put all documents into a sealed envelope and put filer's address as mailing address, so that the envelope can be returned if filed incorrectly;
4. Stamp envelope with the date stamp machine located on top of the drop box before dropping in the envelope - this will count as the filing date.

For more information, please visit AILA's website at <http://aila.org>.

require Permanent Residents to now submit supporting documentation with their application prior to their biometrics appointment.

The application and supporting documentation must be sent to: USCIS, P.O. Box 21262, Phoenix, AZ 85036. If using USPS or Express Mail service or a courier service, the address is: USCIS, ATTN: I-90, 1820 Skyharbor Circle S Floor 1, Phoenix, AZ 85034.

For more information, please reference Bender's Immigration Bulletin, Volume 14, No. 12.

Asylum for Battered Women



President Obama has put a new policy into action that will allow women who have been domestically abused to receive asylum. However, this will not be an easy process. The abused women will have to prove:

1. Their abusers treated them like subordinates and almost like property;
2. That domestic abuse goes unpunished in their country;
3. There is absolutely no place in their own country where they could seek refuge from their abusers;
4. There is no one single institution in their country that they could turn to for help.

Among some of the most extreme cases was a woman in Mexico who was assaulted by a wealthy and influential man when she was only fourteen years old. He then forced her to live with him and engage in intercourse, all the time threatening to end her life if she refused. Moreover, he attempted to set her on fire upon learning that she had gotten pregnant. He also stole all the money she made working as a teacher and then stole her teacher's license. This woman was denied asylum by an immigration judge in 2006, but the case has now been sent back to the immigration court for further review. Now there is a chance

that she will be granted asylum after all.

Fact: In 2008, 22,930 people were granted asylum in the United States; the number people being granted asylum has been decreasing throughout the past several years.

For more information, please read the New York Times article entitled "New Policy Permits Asylum for Battered Women"

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Honorable Immigration Judge O'Leary was appointed the position of the Board of Immigration Appeals Chief Immigration Judge this July. As he will no longer be serving as Arlington Immigration Judge. His replacement is Honorable Immigration Judge Roxanne C. Hladylowycz. Judge Hladylowycz is detailed for six months from EOIR headquarters. Prior to

this, she served as an Immigration Judge in New York for eleven years and was in private practice before that.

For more information, please visit

<http://www.usdoj.gov/eoir/sibpages/ICadr.htm>

Advice Column

How to Care for Aging Parents



There are around 44.4 million Americans who take care of their aging parents. As parents lose the ability to take care of themselves, their children take it upon themselves to make sure their parents get the care they

need. Consequently, more and more adults have to build their schedules around their parents' needs. Not

only can this be stressful, but time-consuming, as an average caregivers spends approximately 21 hours per week taking care of aging relatives or friends. There are a number of ways of making this situation less stressful:

1. To avoid sacrificing productivity time that should be spent at their jobs, the family members who are taking care of their aging parents can hire a professional caregiver to help take care of their parents.

2. Because there are special facilities designed for aging people, there are many seniors who choose to live there and have help available on hand, should they need it.

3. For those who choose to take care of their aging parents or relatives themselves, it can be a great relief to know that they are not alone. It is stress-relieving for them to be able to connect with others who are going through the same situations as they are.

4. People who do choose to stay home full-time and take care of their parents should be sure to make some time to socialize outside of their home, whether it be spending time with friends or joining a local book club.

5. Caregivers can turn to the Church, which, in most cases, is very willing to help out, whether it is financially or morally.

6. Friends and neighbors are encouraged to invite the senior to special events, such as barbecues or ball games. It is also important to make the senior feel like an important member of the community - some good ways of doing that include asking them to watch your cat while you go on vacation for a few days or asking them to serve on a board.

7. Neighbors of caregivers can help out by offering to take care of the senior for a few hours every week

or by helping the caregiver with household chores and errands.

Number of NOIs Issued by ICE has Increased

On July 1, 2009, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) issued 652 Notices of Inspections (NOIs) to businesses all over the United States. The number of NOIs issued has significantly gone up from 503 last year. Upon receiving a Notice of Inspection, employers must fill out I-9 forms for all of their employees that were hired after November 6, 1986. Employers must act quickly because they will only have three days from date of receipt to submit the I-9 forms to ICE. ICE will then review these forms to determine the legal status of each employee. All illegal employees will be deported and employers will be heavily fined for any violations of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

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