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O-1B Roadmap

To qualify as an alien of extraordinary ability in the field of arts, the alien must be recognized as being prominent in his or her field of endeavor as demonstrated by the following:

(A) Evidence that the alien has been nominated for, or has been the recipient of, significant national or international awards or prizes in the particular field such as an Academy Award, an Emmy, a Grammy, or a Director's Guild Award;

or

(B) At least **three** of the following forms of documentation:

(1) Evidence that the alien has performed, and will perform, services as a lead or starring participant in productions or events which have a distinguished reputation as evidenced by critical reviews, advertisements, publicity releases, publications contracts, or endorsements;

(2) Evidence that the alien has achieved national or international recognition for achievements evidenced by critical reviews or other published materials by or about the individual in major newspapers, trade journals, magazines, or other publications;

(3) Evidence that the alien has performed, and will perform, in a lead, starring, or critical role for organizations and establishments that have a distinguished reputation evidenced by articles in newspapers, trade journals, publications, or testimonials;

(4) Evidence that the alien has a record of major commercial or critically acclaimed successes as evidenced by such indicators as title, rating, standing in the field, box office receipts, motion pictures or television ratings, and other occupational achievements reported in trade journals, major newspapers, or other publications;

(5) Evidence that the alien has received significant recognition for achievements from organizations, critics, government agencies, or other recognized experts in the field in which the alien is engaged. Such testimonials must be in a form which clearly indicates the author's authority, expertise, and knowledge of the alien's achievements; or

(6) Evidence that the alien has either commanded a high salary or will command a high salary or other substantial remuneration for services in relation to others in the field, as evidenced by contracts or other reliable evidence; or

If the criteria above do not readily apply to the beneficiary's occupation, the petitioner may submit comparable evidence in order to establish the beneficiary's eligibility.



Technology:

After much trial and error on petitions this size we **require** that you use Egnyte (our cloud service) to share documents with us. We will send you credentials as part of the case initiation.

We encourage you to open up the Egnyte folder associated with you as you read this document as it should contain a folder hierarchy that reflects the above prongs.

STEP 1 – BENEFICIARY – ONE TIME COLLECTION & REFERENCES

We have set up eight prong folders in Egnyte. The Beneficiary would drop in there all the primacy documentation that applies to each.

Please treat this like an exhaustive information dump, to give us the whole universe of documents to evaluate/review.

Reference

In addition, the Beneficiary will need to provide the names, full biographies, and CV's of the references that will be writing reference letters on the Beneficiary's behalf. The Beneficiary should identify to us which prongs they are best for. Please create a "**References Identities Document**" in the **Reference** folder on Egnyte.

[3 - 5 BUSINESS DAYS].

It is better to request extra time during this stage to be thorough instead of introducing new evidence later on.

STEP 2 – ATTORNEY - REVIEW

Once the Beneficiary finishes with the information dump we will review the documents and references information to come up with the best "field" in which to categorize/qualify the Beneficiary. This is the moment the case gets its "thesis."

[3 - 5 BUSINESS DAYS]

STEP 3 – ATTORNEY, WITH BENEFICIARY AVAILABILITY HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Once the thesis is in place we will ask the Beneficiary to write the first draft of the letters that will accompany the petition. These are then given to the attorney for review/edit. There is frequent back and forth required. Then we work together to clean them up and finalize them and give them to the Beneficiary to get them signed.

[10 BUSINESS DAYS]



STEP 4 – ATTORNEY ONLY

As we wait for the letters to come back signed, the attorney takes the final drafts of the letters we generated, as well as the documents that were collected earlier in the process, to put together the legal memorandum, the company support letter, and finalize the forms.

[3 - 5 BUSINESS DAYS]

STEP 5 – BENEFICIARY AND COMPANY

The Beneficiary reviews the attorney memorandum, and the company reviews the company support letter and forms.

[1 - 3 BUSINESS DAYS]

STEP 6 – ATTORNEY

MPLG administrative and attorney review and finalization plus mailing.

[2 BUSINESS DAYS].

We reserve an extra 5 business days to address weaknesses discovered.

STEP 7 - ATTORNEY - FILING

[2 BUSINESS DAYS]

Max time = 35 business days.

Minimum time = 22 business days.

The dates are approximate, based on estimates. Individual cases may vary.

We look forward to assisting you on a successful path to the O-1 visa!

-MPLG Team