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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA,	) Case No. CIVRS2608445
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Petitioner,	) VERIFIED PETITION FOR ASSUMPTION
	) OF JURISDICTION OVER WENDY DONG
vs.	) AKA CHRISTINE DUNN AKA WENLI
	) DONG AND DBA AMERICAN
WENDY DONG, also known as	) IMMIGRATION CENTER CORPORATION
CHRISTINE DUNN, also known as and	) AND DBA NORTH AMERICAN
doing business as WENLI DONG, and	) IMMIGRATION CENTER'S
doing business as AMERICAN	) UNAUTHORIZED LAW PRACTICE AND
IMMIGRATION CENTER	) INJUNCTION; MEMORANDUM OF POINTS
CORPORATION, and doing business as	) AND AUTHORITIES; AND
NORTH AMERICAN IMMIGRATION	) DECLARATIONS OF SANDRA
CENTER.	) HERNADNEZ, DON LE, XIANG BAUER
	) AKA XIANG LI AND EXHIBITS IN
	) SUPPORT THEREOF
	)
Respondent.	) [Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 6125, 6126, 6126.3, &
	) 6030]
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	) Hearing Date:
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1 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that George S. Cardona, Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar
2 of California (“Chief Trial Counsel Cardona”), by and through Trial Counsel Brenda Rodriguez,
3 hereby petitions this Court for an order assuming jurisdiction over the unauthorized law practice
4 of Wendy Dong also known as Christine Dunn also known as Wenli Dong and doing business as
5 American Immigration Center Corporation and doing business as North American Immigration
6 Center (collectively referred to as “Respondent”), and an injunction (“Petition”). By this verified
7 Petition, the State Bar of California (“State Bar”) asserts and alleges as follows:

8 1. The State Bar is a constitutional agency under Article VI, section 9, of the Constitution of
9 the State of California and serves as an administrative arm of the California Supreme Court in
10 matters relating to administration, admissions, discipline and regulation of the practice of law
11 and in matters relating to the administration of justice.

12 2. This Petition is made pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 6125, 6126,
13 6126.3, and 6030¹. Pursuant to section 6126.3(b), the State Bar has standing to apply to this
14 Court for an order of assumption of jurisdiction over an unauthorized law practice in California.
15 Section 6126.3(a) provides that, “[i]n addition to any criminal penalties pursuant to Section 6126
16 or to any contempt proceedings pursuant to Section 6127, the courts of the state shall have the
17 jurisdiction provided in this section when a person advertises or holds himself or herself out as
18 practicing or entitled to practice law, or otherwise practices law, without being an active member
19 of the State Bar or otherwise authorized pursuant to statute or court rule to practice law in this
20 state at the time of doing so.”

21 3. Respondent is engaged in the unauthorized practice of law and maintains an office in this
22 county for the purpose of engaging in the unauthorized practice of law.

23 4. There is probable cause to believe that Respondent: (1) is not licensed to practice law in
24 California, and is not otherwise authorized pursuant to statute or court rule to practice law in this
25 state; (2) is practicing law, or recently practiced law, and is holding herself out as entitled to

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27 ¹ All statutory references are to the Business and Professions Code, unless otherwise specified.

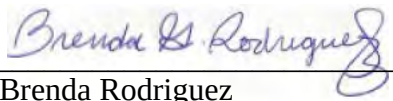
1 practice law, or recently held out as entitled to practice law; (3) is offering, or recently offered,
2 unauthorized legal services to clients; (4) maintains active client files in her office; and (5) the
3 interests of a client, interested person, or entity will be prejudiced if this proceeding is not
4 maintained.

5 This Petition is based upon the attached memorandum of points and authorities, the
6 supporting declarations of Sandra Hernandez, Don Le, and Xiang Bauer AKA Xiang Li and
7 attachments thereto, upon all applicable rules and statutes of which the Court may take judicial
8 notice, and upon any other evidence that may be introduced at a hearing.

10 Respectfully submitted,

11 THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
12 OFFICE OF CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL

14 Dated: September 17, 2026

15 BY: 
16 Brenda Rodriguez
17 Trial Counsel
18 Attorney for the Petitioner
19 THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
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I. STATEMENT OF FACTS

Respondent is engaged in the unauthorized practice of law and maintains an office in this county for the purpose of engaging in the unauthorized practice of law at 13751 Rosewell Avenue, Suite B, Chino, CA 91710 (collectively referred to as “Respondent’s business address”). (Declaration of State Bar Investigator Sandra Hernandez ¶ 3, hereinafter “Hernandez Decl.,” attached hereto.) Respondent is not, and has never been, a licensee of the State Bar, is not otherwise authorized to practice law in California, and does not work under the direction or supervision of an attorney. (Hernandez Decl. at ¶ 4 and Exhibit 1 attached thereto.)

Complaining witness Xiuying Zhu (“Zhu”) reported to the State Bar that after several attorneys told her there were no remedies available for her two friends who were detained in an immigration detention center, she hired American Immigration Center Corporation to represent them. (Declaration of State Bar Investigator Don Le ¶ 5, hereinafter “Le Decl.” attached hereto, and Exhibit 1 attached thereto) Zhu paid Respondent a total of \$6,000 and signed a contract with Respondent (Le Decl. ¶6 and Exhibit 3). Zhu then became dissatisfied with Respondent’s services and requested a refund. Thereafter, Respondent sent Zhu an invoice requesting an additional \$1,500 and a termination letter (Le Decl. ¶ 7 and Exhibit 4).

The termination letter was printed on Respondent's letterhead and summarizes the work allegedly performed, which includes contacting Immigration and Customs Enforcement, filing a parole request via USPS, and contacting the Enforcement and Removal Operations office to follow up on a request (Le Decl. ¶ 7-9 and Exhibit 4). The letter contains a signature block identifying California Attorney Jimmy Hu as the person who purportedly signed the letter. (Le Decl. ¶ 10 and Exhibit 5).

Thereafter, believing that Attorney Hu was the attorney of record, Zhu filed a State Bar complaint against Attorney Hu. During the initial investigation by the State Bar, Attorney Hu indicated that he performed limited work for Respondent in the past. However, Attorney Hu

1 denied that he ever worked on Zhu's case. Attorney Hu stated that he did not authorize
2 Respondent to sign or use his name on its billing documents or on the termination letter that was
3 sent to Zhu. Respondent did so without Attorney Hu's knowledge or consent. Attorney Hu then
4 provided the State Bar with Respondent's name, Wendy Dong, who also uses the name Christine
5 Dunn and Wenli Dong as the owner of American Immigration Center Corporation (Le Decl. ¶
6 12-17 and Exhibit 7). After confirming Attorney Hu's statements, the State Bar closed this
7 investigation and opened a new investigation against Respondent. (Le Decl. ¶19).

8 On April 23, 2026, State Bar Investigator Hernandez spoke with Zhu's daughter, Xiang
9 Bauer aka Xiang Li ("Mrs. Bauer"), who stated that she wrote the complaint on her mother's
10 behalf and that they both hired Respondent (Declaration of complaining witness Xiang Bauer
11 ¶4).

12 On March 26, 2026, Investigator Hernandez conducted an online search of American
13 Immigration Center Corporation on the California Secretary of State's website. The California
14 Secretary of State records reflect that Respondent filed the Articles of Incorporation for the
15 business on June 8, 2018, and listed herself as the Agent for Process of Service and Incorporator.
16 On August 9, 2024, Respondent filed a Statement of Information for American Immigration
17 Center Corporation listing herself as CEO, CFO, Secretary, Director, and Agent for Process. In
18 the "Type of Business" section of the form, Respondent stated that American Immigration
19 Center Corporation provided "Immigration Services." On June 25, 2025, an updated Statement
20 of Information form was submitted by Respondent listing herself again as CEO, CFO, Secretary,
21 Director, and Agent for Process for American Immigration Center Corporation (Hernandez Decl.
22 ¶6 and Exhibit 2).

23 Investigator Hernandez conducted an internet search and found that Respondent is
24 engaged in the unauthorized practice of law by holding out as entitled to practice law and
25 offering legal services. Respondent's website <https://www.americanic.us/> indicates that it offers
26 "[e]xpert assistance with family immigration, green cards, work permits, asylum and
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1 naturalization...” They also offer consultation services and “comprehensive immigration
2 solutions tailored to [the public’s] unique situation.” Respondent provides an option for potential
3 clients to schedule a consultation with business representatives to discuss their immigration
4 needs (Hernandez Decl. ¶7 and Exhibit 3).

5 Investigator Hernandez discovered several client reviews on Google and Yelp written by
6 individuals who had contracted with Respondent for improper legal services. A review posted on
7 Yelp by an individual named Ahlam A. on January 21, 2026, states that, “... [t]he lawyers at
8 American Immigration Center were incredibly professional. They carefully analyzed our case,
9 found the relevant legal basis in immigration law, and ultimately won our case in court, securing
10 our green card!...” A Google review, posted in or around June 2026, shows an individual named
11 Bowie Huang stated, “[m]any thanks to Wendy and Joe for helping me successfully obtain my
12 green card!... Their legal expertise and the strength of their entire team gave me great
13 confidence...” In another Google post, an individual with the name Love Succulents, stated that
14 American Immigration Center Corporation’s “lawyers were very professional and responsible,
15 and gave [them] good advice...”

16 Additionally, Respondent’s LinkedIn profile page states the following, “American
17 Immigration Center offers a team of immigration experts with decades of experience handling a
18 wide range of immigration needs. We provide professional information, guidance, and services
19 to ensure efficient, proper processing of client cases.” (Hernandez Decl. ¶ 12 and Exhibits 7-8).

20 On May 12, 2026, Investigator Hernandez conducted a site visit to Respondent’s business
21 address. The site visit confirmed that Respondent’s office is open, operating, and advertising
22 immigration services to the public. Respondent’s business has large signage on the windows in a
23 foreign language. There is also a sign that reads “North America Immigration Center.” Members
24 of the public were observed entering and exiting Respondent’s business (Hernandez Decl. ¶9 and
25 Exhibit 4). Furthermore, on June 23, 2026, Investigator Hernandez sent Respondent a letter of
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inquiry requesting her response to the allegations of engaging in the unauthorized practice of law. (Hernandez Decl. ¶10 and Exhibit 5).

Respondent's lack of response prompted Investigator Hernandez to hand deliver a second letter of inquiry to Respondent's business on August 11, 2026. Investigator Hernandez spoke with a male who refused to identify himself but stated he worked in the office as a contract translator/interpreter. He also confirmed that no attorney worked at their office. This male confirmed Wendy Dunn and Christine Dunn were the same person and refused to accept the letter on behalf of Respondent. Investigator Hernandez was able to place the letter in the door's mail slot. The State Bar did not receive a response, and the letters were not returned as undeliverable (Hernandez Decl. ¶11 and Exhibit 6)

II. LEGAL ARGUMENT

A. Respondent is Engaged in the Unauthorized Practice of Law

Section 6125 states: "[n]o person shall practice law in California unless the person is an active licensee of the State Bar." Section 6126(a) states, "[a]ny person advertising or holding himself or herself out as practicing or entitled to practice law or otherwise practicing law who is not an active licensee of the State Bar, or otherwise authorized pursuant to statute or court rule to practice law in this state at the time of doing so, is guilty of a misdemeanor"

Giving legal advice and the preparation of legal instruments, whether or not rendered in the course of litigation, is the practice of law. (*State Bar of California v. Superior Court* (1929) 207 Cal.323, 335) One such act is sufficient. (*People v Ring* (1937) 26 Cal. App.2d Supp. 768, 770-771.) "'The cases uniformly hold that the character of the act, and not the place where it is performed, is the decisive element, and if the application of legal knowledge and technique is required, the activity constitutes the practice of law'" (*Benninghoff v. Superior Court* (2006) 136 Cal. App 4th 61, 68, quoting *Baron v. City of Los Angeles* (1970) 2 Cal.3d 535, 543.)

In *People v. Merchants Protective Corp.* (1922) 189 Cal. 531, 535, the California Supreme Court defined the practice of law by relying on several out-of-state cases including *Eley*

1 v. *Miller* (1893) 7 Ind. App. 529, 535; 34 N. E. 836, which said, “[a]s the term is generally
2 understood, the practice of the law is the doing and performing services in a court of justice in
3 any matter depending therein throughout its various stages and in conformity with the adopted
4 rules of procedure. But in a larger sense it includes legal advice and counsel and the preparation
5 of legal instruments and contracts by which legal rights are secured although such matter may or
6 may not be pending in a court.” The Court also relied on *People v. Alfani* (1919) 227 N.Y. 334,
7 125 N. E. 671, which held, “[i]t is common knowledge for which the above authorities were
8 hardly necessary, that a large, if not the greater work, of the bar today is out of court, or office
9 work. Counsel and advice, the drawing of agreements, the organization of corporations and
10 preparing papers connected therewith, the drafting of legal documents of all kinds, including
11 wills, are activities which have been long classed as law practice.”

12 *Birbrower, Montalbano, Condon & Frank v. Superior Court* (1998) 17 Cal.4th 119,
13 involved a legal malpractice case against a New York law firm whose attorneys traveled to
14 California to negotiate a settlement. The Court considered whether the unauthorized practice of
15 law would act to deprive the New York firm of its disputed fees and found that the prohibiting of
16 the unauthorized practice of law is designed to ensure that those providing legal services do so
17 competently. The Court concurred with *People v. Merchants Protective Corp, supra*, in finding
18 that the practice of law included “in its definition legal advice and legal instruments and contract
19 preparation, whether or not those subjects were rendered in the course of litigation.” (*Birbrower,*
20 *Montalbano, Condon & Frank v. Superior Court, id.*, at 128.)

21 In *Baron v. City of Los Angeles* (1970) 2 Cal.3d 535, the California Supreme Court
22 considered whether a requirement that an attorney register as a lobbyist was preempted by the
23 right of the State to regulate the practice of law. In reaching the question, the Court relied on
24 *State Bar of California v. Superior Court* (1929) 207 Cal. 323, 331, and its holding that “the
25 profession and practice of the law, while in a limited sense a matter of private choice and
26 concern insofar as it relates to its emoluments, is essentially and more largely a matter of public
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1 interest and concern, not only from the viewpoint of its relation to the administration of civil and
2 criminal law, but also from that of the contacts of its membership with the constituent
3 membership of society at large, whose interest it is to be safeguarded against the ignorance or
4 evil dispositions of those who may be masquerading beneath the cloak of the legal and
5 supposedly learned and upright profession.”

6 The Supreme Court again affirmed the holding of *People v. Merchants Protective Corp.*,
7 *supra*, and stated, “[i]t is difficult to draw logical distinctions among the varied services
8 performed by lawyers for their clients and to determine that only some of the services constitute
9 the ‘practice of law.’ In a pragmatic sense, the practice of law encompasses all of the activities
10 engaged in by attorneys in a representative capacity, including legislative advocacy.” (*Baron v.*
11 *City of Los Angeles* (1970) 2 Cal.3d 535, 542.)

12 In determining whether or not a particular activity involved the practice of law, the *Baron*
13 Court applied the following test: “[i]n close cases, the courts have determined that the resolution
14 of legal questions for another by advice and action is practicing law ‘if difficult or doubtful legal
15 questions are involved which, to safeguard the public, reasonably demand the application of a
16 trained legal mind.’” (*Baron v. City of Los Angeles*, *id.* at 543, quoting *Agran v. Shapiro* (1954)
17 127 Cal.App.2d Supp. 807, 818.)

18 As indicated above, Respondent engaged in the unauthorized practice of law by
19 advertising and providing improper immigration legal services to the public in California,
20 engaging in legal analysis or studying facts of clients’ cases, giving legal advice to clients, and
21 charging legal fees. Respondent has never been admitted to practice law by the State Bar of
22 California and is not authorized to practice law.

23 **B. The Court has Authority to Assume Jurisdiction Over a Nonattorney’s**
24 **Unauthorized Law Practice.**

25 The superior courts of California are expressly empowered to assume jurisdiction over
26 the unauthorized law practice of a person who practices law, or otherwise advertises or holds
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1 herself out as entitled to practice law, without being an active licensee of the State Bar or
2 otherwise authorized pursuant to statute or court rule to practice law. (Section 6126.3(a).)

3 The State Bar, or the superior court on its own motion, may make application for
4 assumption of jurisdiction over an unlawful law practice in the county where the nonattorney
5 maintains, or recently maintained, an office, or where he or she resides. (Section 6126.3(b).)

6 Pursuant to section 6126.3(c), the application shall be verified and shall state facts
7 showing all of the following:

8 (1) Probable cause to believe that the facts set forth in subdivision (a) of
9 section 6126 have occurred;

10 (2) the interest of the applicant; and

11 (3) probable cause to believe that the interests of a client or interested
12 person or entity will be prejudiced if the proceeding is not maintained.

13 The application shall be set for a hearing and an order to show cause shall be issued
14 by the Court directing the nonattorney to show cause why the Court should not assume
15 jurisdiction over Respondent's unlawful law practice. (Section 6126.3(d).)

16 Pursuant to section 6126.3(e), if the Court finds that the unauthorized practice of law has
17 occurred, and that the interests of a client or an interested person or entity will be prejudiced if
18 this proceeding is not maintained, the Court may issue an order assuming jurisdiction over the
19 nonattorney's unlawful law practice. The Court shall then appoint one or more active licensees
20 of the State Bar to act under its direction and to do any of the acts described above or any other
21 acts that may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section.

22 Based on the foregoing, this Court has authority to assume jurisdiction over Respondent's
23 unauthorized law practice.

24 **C. The Interests of Clients and the Administration of Justice will be Prejudiced if**
25 **this Proceeding is not Maintained.**

1 Based on the aforementioned facts, there is probable cause to believe that there are clients
2 who may be prejudiced due to Respondent's ongoing unauthorized practice of law.

3 Further, "[t]wo public policies underlie the strictures against the unlicensed practice of
4 law. First, attorneys must be licensed so that the public is protected from being advised and
5 represented by persons who are not qualified to practice law Second, the litigation of cases
6 by unlicensed attorneys threatens the integrity of the judicial process itself." (*Russell v. Dopp*
7 (1995) 36 Cal.App.4th 765, 773.) Therefore, the public, the legal profession, and the
8 administration of justice, will be prejudiced if the Court does not assume jurisdiction over
9 Respondent's unauthorized law practice.

10 Respondent has subjected victims and clients to fraud, illegal services, and potential harm
11 by engaging in the unauthorized practice of law. As long as Respondent is permitted to continue
12 practicing law unlawfully, the public remains at risk of being victimized by Respondent.

13 **D. The Court has Authority to Issue an Injunction**

14 Section 6030 provides that the violation or threatened violation of any provision of
15 section 6126.3 may be enjoined in a civil action brought in the superior court by the State Bar
16 and no undertaking shall be required by the State Bar.

17 Pursuant to section 6030, this Court is authorized to grant injunctive relief as it may deem
18 appropriate in the enforcement of section 6126.3.

19 Here, an injunction is appropriate in the enforcement of section 6126.3 due to
20 Respondent's unauthorized practice of law. Until the Court enters an injunction to prevent
21 Respondent from engaging in the unauthorized practice of law, there remains a concern and risk
22 that Respondent will relocate the illegal business, continue to defraud the public, and destroy
23 client files and records. An injunction is necessary to protect the public.

24 WHEREFORE, the State Bar petitions this Court to find that the facts set forth in section
25 6126(a) have occurred, and that the interests of a client or an interested person or entity will be
26 prejudiced if this proceeding is not maintained. The State Bar further petitions for an order for
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1 assumption of jurisdiction by the Court over Respondent's unauthorized law practice, and for all
2 orders necessary for an assumption, including appointing Chief Trial Counsel Cardona and his
3 designees to perform any of the following duties as permitted and set forth in section 6126.3,
4 including:

5 1. Examine, retrieve, remove, and secure in a protected area any and all files and records
6 pertaining to Respondent's unauthorized law practice that are located at Respondent's
7 business address, or at any site in California where reliable evidence establishes that they
8 may be stored, and obtain information for any pending matters that may require attention.

9 a. The following areas are to be examined (collectively referred to as "the areas
10 to be examined"):

11 i. Any and all locked or unlocked offices, rooms, file cabinets, closets,
12 storage areas, trash containers, attics, garages, basements, outbuildings of any
13 kind that are located thereon and in the surrounding grounds that are under the
14 care, control and/or custody of persons located at Respondent's business
15 address. The examination shall also include computers, electronic devices
16 that contain electronically stored information, briefcases, satchels, backpacks,
17 purses, and day planners that are under the care, custody and/or control of any
18 and all persons located at Respondent's business address.

19 b. The following items are to be retrieved, removed, and secured in a protected
20 area (collectively referred to as "the items to be retrieved, removed and secured"):

21 i. Any and all client files, records and documents pertaining to Respondent's
22 unauthorized law practice including, but not limited to, notes, memoranda,
23 reports, correspondence, ledgers, journals, financial statements, bank account
24 records, bank statements, cancelled and uncanceled checks, cash, check
25 ledgers, check registers, bank signature cards, bank books, deposit records,
26 and withdrawal records. If any of these items are stored in a device such as
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1 computer, cellular phone, copy machine, fax machine, scanner, video or audio
2 apparatus, magnetic tape, flash drive, disc, and/or hard drive, such device may
3 be retrieved, removed and secured in its entirety, including hardware,
4 supporting software for data retrieval, and material describing operation of the
5 device. If records and files are stored or maintained in a file cabinet or similar
6 unit, the file cabinet or unit may be retrieved, removed, and secured.

7 2. The owner, manager, landlord, or custodian of the areas to be examined, or anyone
8 with custody and control of the items to be retrieved, removed and secured, is ordered
9 and authorized to unlock the doors and provide access to the premises. If the owner,
10 manager, landlord, or custodian cannot be located or refuses to comply with the Court's
11 order, any qualified locksmith authorized by this order to secure entry upon request of the
12 State Bar using such devices or techniques that are standard in the locksmith industry.

13 3. Notify persons and entities whom the State Bar reasonably believes to be
14 Respondent's clients of the occurrence of the event or events stated in subdivision (a) of
15 section 6126, and inform them that it may be in their best interest to obtain legal counsel.

16 4. Give notice of the Court's order to the appropriate persons, clients, entities, and
17 depositors, who may be affected by the Court's order.

18 5. Retain all client files and property retrieved from Respondent's unauthorized law
19 practice and arrange for delivery to the client.

20 6. When applicable, apply to the Court for the appointment of a receiver to take
21 possession and control of any and all bank accounts and funds related to Respondent's
22 unauthorized law practice.

23 7. Do any other acts that may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of
24 this section, including but not limited to, the following:

25 a. Photograph and/or record the execution of this Court's order;

1 b. Make and retain electronic or hard copies of all data, files, documents, records
2 and information retrieved, and erase or delete any and all data that is stored or
3 saved in Respondent's computers, local or remote storage devices or servers, or
4 cloud-based systems that is related to Respondent's unauthorized practice of law;
5 c. Freeze any and all of Respondent's bank accounts that related to the
6 unauthorized law practice;
7 d. Return to the issuer, or endorse and deposit into Respondent's unauthorized law
8 practice bank account, or into an account created by the State Bar exclusively for
9 the purpose of maintaining funds related to Respondent's unauthorized law
10 practice, any check that is made payable to Respondent and related to the
11 unauthorized law practice that is retrieved or received by the State Bar;
12 e. Direct Respondent's internet and telephone providers to disconnect service or
13 forward any and all telephone calls associated with Respondent's unauthorized
14 law practice, including (626) 270-0909, and to forward all calls to a designated
15 telephone line at the State Bar, which shall be established exclusively to receive
16 these calls. The telephone and internet providers are authorized by this order to
17 forward Respondent's telephone calls to the State Bar and to disconnect
18 Respondent's internet services;
19 f. File a change of address notification with the United States Postal Service to
20 forward all mail addressed to Respondent at Respondent's business address, or at
21 any other site in California where reliable evidence establishes that client files or
22 records of the unauthorized law practice may be stored, to the attention of Brenda
23 Rodriguez, State Bar of California, Office of Chief Trial Counsel, 845 S. Figueroa
24 Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017-2515. The United States Postal Service is
25 authorized by this order to enter a change of address for all mail addressed to
26 Respondent at Respondent's business address;

1 g. Open and examine all forwarded mail that was addressed to Respondent;
2 h. Cooperate with law enforcement agencies, and upon request, without the
3 necessity of a subpoena or further court order, provide law enforcement agencies
4 with copies of any and all of the items to be retrieved, removed and secured; and
5 j. Permit the State Bar to allow law enforcement agencies to enter the areas to be
6 examined to observe and assist the State Bar in retrieving, removing, and securing
7 the items to be retrieved, removed and secured.

8 8. Respondent, or any other knowledgeable person present at Respondent's business
9 address is ordered and authorized to provide to the State Bar any and all passwords and
10 protocols required to access the electronic data stored on any computer or device located
11 at or removed from Respondent's business address.

12 9. Respondent, or any other person who is a signatory on any bank account frozen
13 pursuant to subparagraph (c) above, should be ordered not to withdraw any funds from
14 any frozen account.

15 10. Any and all financial institutions where Respondent maintained bank accounts
16 related to his or her unauthorized law practice should be ordered and authorized to
17 provide forthwith, upon service of a copy of the Court's order, a copy of signature cards,
18 the account numbers, and the last available monthly statements of any and all accounts
19 frozen pursuant to subparagraph (c) above, and to disclose to the State Bar the balance of
20 the frozen accounts without a further order or subpoena. Thereafter, these financial
21 institutions shall provide to the State Bar any and all monthly statements or records
22 requested by the State Bar that are necessary to determine the origin or owner of the
23 funds in Respondent's frozen bank accounts. The financial institutions shall provide to
24 the State Bar the requested monthly statements and records within 30 days of the request.

25 11. The website owner, administrator, coordinator, publisher, developer, architect, or
26 author should be ordered and authorized to modify or remove any and all websites, social
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media accounts and any other internet platform where legal services are marketed, advertised or offered by Respondent, including but not limited to, <https://www.americanic.us/>

12. Respondent, and any person having possession of any files or records pertaining to Respondent's unauthorized law practice should be ordered to maintain such files and records intact, without alteration or change of location, and to turn over all such files and records to the State Bar. This includes physical documents and documents that are stored electronically, irrespective of the location.

13. Respondent should be ordered to immediately cease and desist from: (1) engaging in the unauthorized practice of law; (2) holding himself or herself out as entitled to practice law; (3) offering to perform any act that constitutes the unauthorized practice of law; (4) entering into any oral or written contractual agreement with any individual or business to provide any service that constitutes the unauthorized practice of law; and (5) charging or receiving any money or fees from any individual or business for any service that constitutes the unauthorized practice of law.

14. Respondent is enjoined and restrained from engaging in the unauthorized practice of law pursuant to section 6030.

III. CONCLUSION

The State Bar respectfully requests that the Court issue a permanent order assuming jurisdiction over Respondent's unauthorized law practice and appointing Chief Trial Counsel Cardona and his designees to act under its direction to obtain possession of client files and records as enumerated above, and an injunction.

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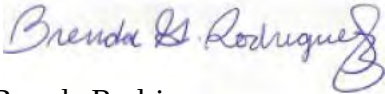
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Respectfully submitted,

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL

Dated: September 17, 2026

BY: 

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Executed this 17th day of September 2026, at Los Angeles, California.

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1 **DECLARATION OF STATE BAR INVESTIGATOR SANDRA HERNANDEZ**

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3 I, Sandra Hernandez, hereby declare and state the following:

4 1. I am over the age of 18 and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth in
5 this declaration and, if called upon, I could competently testify to them:

6 2. I am employed as an Investigator by the State Bar of California (hereinafter “State
7 Bar”), Office of Chief Trial Counsel, in Los Angeles, California. I have been employed with
8 the State Bar of California for twenty-four years.

9 3. I am the lead investigator assigned to investigate the unauthorized practice of law
10 (“UPL”) complaint filed against non-attorney Wendy Dong, also known as Christine Dunn
11 (“Respondent”), doing business as American Immigration Center Corporation (“AIC”), with an
12 office located at 13751 Rosewell Avenue, Suite B, Chino, CA 91710. I was assigned to
13 investigate State Bar Case Number 24-NA-28110 on December 5, 2025.

14 4. Respondent is not presently, nor has she ever been, a licensee of the State Bar,
15 and she is not authorized pursuant to statute or court rule to practice law in California. True and
16 correct copies of the California attorney search conducted on the names “Wendy Dong and
17 Christine Dunn” are attached as **Exhibit 1**.

18 5. On December 17, 2024, the State Bar’s Unlawful Practice of Law unit opened an
19 investigation against Respondent after receiving a referral from our trials department who had
20 closed its case against Attorney Jimmy Hu.

21 6. After learning the facts of the case, on March 26, 2026, I conducted an online
22 search of AIC on the California Secretary of State’s website. The California Secretary of State
23 records stated that Respondent filed the Articles of Incorporation for AIC on June 8, 2018, and
24 listed herself as the Agent for Process of Service and Incorporator. On August 9, 2024,
25 Respondent filed a Statement of Information for AIC listing herself as CEO, CFO, Secretary,
26 Director, and Agent for Process. In the “Type of Business” section of the form, Respondent
27 stated that AIC provided “Immigration Services.” On June 25, 2025, an updated Statement of
28 Information form was submitted by Respondent listing herself again as CEO, CFO, Secretary,

1 Director, and Agent for Process for AIC. True and correct copies of the California Secretary of
2 State Business documents are attached as **Exhibit 2**.

3 7. On March 26, 2026, I searched AIC's website <https://www.americanic.us/> and
4 found that they advertised that they offer "[e]xpert assistance with family immigration, green
5 cards, work permits, asylum and naturalization..." They also offer consultation services and
6 "comprehensive immigration solutions tailored to [the public's] unique situation." On their
7 website, AIC provides an option for potential clients to schedule a consultation with AIC
8 representatives to discuss their immigration needs. True and correct copies of advertisements
9 posted on AIC's website are attached as **Exhibit 3**.

10 8. On April 23, 2026, I spoke with Mrs. Bauer by telephone, who stated that she and
11 her mother hired AIC to represent two of her friends in their immigration matter. Due to delays
12 and misrepresentations, they decided to terminate AIC's legal services and request a refund.
13 Mrs. Bauer stated that she communicated with Ms. Jiang during the entire time AIC handled
14 their case. Despite numerous requests for a refund of fees, their requests were ignored by Ms.
15 Jiang/AIC.

16 9. On May 12, 2026, I conducted a site inspection of Respondent's office located at
17 13751 Rosewell Avenue, Suite B, Chino, CA 91710. The purpose of this visit was to determine
18 if Respondent's business was operating and if potential clients were visiting the office for legal
19 services. During my visit, I observed the outside of the establishment, which had signs posted in
20 different languages, including in English, stating "North American Immigration Center." I
21 observed a female open the front door of the office, and I also observed an Asian male enter the
22 office and remain inside for approximately 10 minutes before departing. Based on my
23 observations, it appeared that the office was operating and conducting business. A true and
24 correct copy of the memo regarding my site visit and pictures of the front of the office are
25 attached as **Exhibit 4**.

26 10. On June 23, 2026, I sent Respondent a letter via email at wendy@americanic.us
27 and contact@americanic.us requesting a written response to the allegations that she was
28 engaging, and is currently engaging in, the unauthorized practice of law. A true and correct

1 copy of the June 23, 2026 letter is attached here as **Exhibit 5**. The response was due on or
2 before July 6, 2026; however, no response was received.

3 11. On August 11, 2026, I conducted a second visit to Respondent's office at 13751
4 Rosewell Avenue, Suite B, Chino, CA 91710. The purpose of this visit was to determine if
5 Respondent's business was still operating, if Respondent was in the office, and to personally
6 deliver the letter to Respondent requesting a response to the allegations of unauthorized practice
7 of law. An Asian male opened the door, who stated that he worked at Respondent's office.
8 When I asked for his name, he refused to provide his name. He stated that Respondent worked
9 at the location, but he did not know when she would return. He did not allow me inside the
10 office and refused to personally accept the letter on behalf of Respondent. I was able to place
11 the letter in the door's mail slot for Respondent to review. He stated that he was a contract
12 employee who translated documents and completed interpretations. When asked if any attorneys
13 worked in the office, he stated that no attorneys worked in the office, but stated that they
14 occasionally contacted attorneys. A true and correct copy of the August 11, 2026 letter and
15 pictures of the outside of Respondent's office are attached here as **Exhibit 6**. The State Bar did
16 not receive any responses to the letters, and the letters were not returned as undeliverable.

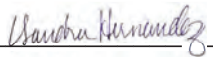
17 12. On August 24 2026, I conducted an online search of AIC and found client reviews
18 on Yelp and Google from individuals who had contracted AIC for legal services. In a review
19 posted on Yelp by an individual named Ahlam A. on January 21, 2026, it stated that, "... [t]he
20 lawyers at AIC were incredibly professional. They carefully analyzed our case, found the
21 relevant legal basis in immigration law, and ultimately won our case in court, securing our
22 green card!..." In another post on Google, posted about two months ago (in or around June
23 2026), an individual named Bowie Huang stated, "[m]any thanks to Wendy and Joe for helping
24 me successfully obtain my green card!... Their legal expertise and the strength of their entire
25 team gave me great confidence..." In another Google post, an individual with the name Love
26 Succulents, stated that AIC's "lawyers were very profession and responsible, and gave [them]
27 good advice..." True and correct copies of the reviews posted online are attached here as
28 **Exhibit 7**. Additionally, AIC's LinkedIn profile page stated the following, "American

1 Immigration Center offers a team of immigration experts with decades of experience handling a
2 wide range of immigration needs. We provide professional information, guidance, and services
3 to ensure efficient, proper processing of client cases.” A true and correct copy of the LinkedIn
4 profile page is attached here as **Exhibit 8**.

5 13. Based on the information obtained through the course of this investigation, I
6 believe that Respondent is actively engaged in the unauthorized practice of law.

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8 I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
9 is true and correct.

10 Executed this 26th day of August 2026 at Los Angeles, California.

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13 Sandra Hernandez, Investigator

14 Declarant
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EXHIBIT 1



Attorney Search

Enter Attorney Name or Bar Number

Search

Your search for *Wendy Dong* returned no results.

Would you like to search for [names that sound like Wendy Dong](#)?

NOTE: Due to technical limitations, this search cannot handle extended characters. Example: for Nuñez, please search Nunez.

For more search options, including the ability to search for [certified specialists](#) or other practice characteristics, try [Advanced Search](#). You can also search for [Provisionally Licensed Lawyers](#).

See [Notice of License Status Changes Dashboard](#) for disciplinary and administrative status changes for California attorneys.

Search Tips

- Do not use nicknames. Use either a first initial or proper first name.

Sample Search Phrases

- J Smith
- Smith, J
- J D Smith
- John D Smith
- Smith, John D
- 123456

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Your search for *Christine Dunn* returned 1 results.

Click any column heading to sort on that column. Hold shift and click multiple headings to sort on multiple columns.

Name	Status	Number	City	Admission Date
Dunne, Kellin Christine	Active	280602	Salinas	December 2011

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Articles of Incorporation of a General Stock Corporation

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IMPORTANT — Read instructions before completing this form.**Filing Fee** — \$100.00**Copy Fees** — First page \$1.00; each attachment page \$0.50;
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Note: Corporations may have to pay minimum \$800 tax to the California Franchise Tax Board each year. For more information, go to <https://www.ftb.ca.gov>.

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1. Corporate Name (Go to www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/name-availability for general corporate name requirements and restrictions.)

The name of the corporation is American Immigration Center Corporation

2. Business Addresses (Enter the complete business addresses.)

a. Initial Street Address of Corporation - Do not list a P.O. Box	City (no abbreviations)	State	Zip Code
1020 S Baldwin Ave. #202	Arcadia	CA	91007
b. Initial Mailing Address of Corporation, if different than item 2a	City (no abbreviations)	State	Zip Code

3. Service of Process (Must provide either Individual OR Corporation.)

INDIVIDUAL — Complete Items 3a and 3b only. Must include agent's full name and California street address.

a. California Agent's First Name (if agent is not a corporation)	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix
Christine		Dunn	
b. Street Address (if agent is not a corporation) - Do not enter a P.O. Box	City (no abbreviations)	State	Zip Code
1020 S Baldwin Ave. #202	Arcadia	CA	91007

CORPORATION — Complete Item 3c. Only include the name of the registered agent Corporation.

c. California Registered Corporate Agent's Name (if agent is a corporation) — Do not complete Item 3a or 3b

4. Shares (Enter the number of shares the corporation is authorized to issue. Do not leave blank or enter zero (0).)

This corporation is authorized to issue only one class of shares of stock.
The total number of shares which this corporation is authorized to issue is 1000,000

5. Purpose Statement (Do not alter the Purpose Statement.)

The purpose of the corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under the General Corporation Law of California other than the banking business, the trust company business or the practice of a profession permitted to be incorporated by the California Corporations Code.

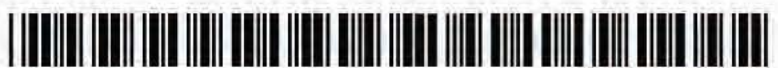
6. Read and Sign Below (This form must be signed by each incorporator. See instructions for signature requirements.)

Christine Dunn

Signature

Christine Dunn

Type or Print Name



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California Secretary of State
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Entity No. 4162521
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Mailing Address of Corporation

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Attention

Street Address of California Office of Corporation

Street Address of California Office 13751 ROSWELL AVE SUITE B
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Officers

Officer Name	Officer Address	Position(s)
CHRISTINE DUNN	13751 ROSWELL AVE SUITE B CHINO, CA 91710	Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary

Additional Officers

Officer Name	Officer Address	Position	Stated Position
None Entered			

Directors

Director Name	Director Address
CHRISTINE DUNN	13751 ROSWELL AVE SUITE B CHINO, CA 91710

The number of vacancies on Board of Directors is: 0

Agent for Service of Process

Agent Name CHRISTINE DUNN
Agent Address 13751 ROSWELL AVE SUITE B
CHINO, CA 91710

Type of Business

Type of Business IMMIGRATION SERVICE

Email Notifications

Opt-in Email Notifications Yes, I opt-in to receive entity notifications via email.

Labor Judgment

No Officer or Director of this Corporation has an outstanding final judgment issued by the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement or a court of law, for which no appeal therefrom is pending, for the violation of any wage order or provision of the Labor Code.

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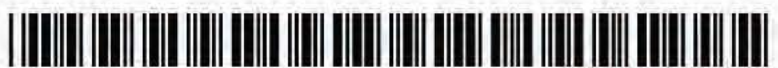
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CHRISTINE DUNN

Signature

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Date



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Electronic Signature

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CHRISTINE DUNN

Signature

08/09/2024

Date

EXHIBIT 3

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With your professional and responsible assistance, my case was quickly approved and an interview was scheduled. I'm confident I'll be able to share the joy of receiving

sure that nothing was missing.

Sallie Wong

Naturalization

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my green card with you soon.

Jeffrey Chen

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Overview

A foreign citizen seeking to live permanently in the United States requires an immigrant visa. To be eligible to apply, you must be sponsored by an immediate relative who is at least 21 years of age and is either a U.S. citizen or U.S. Lawful Permanent Resident (Green Card holder).

Visas are always available for immediate relatives of U.S. citizens, meaning immediate relatives do not need to wait in line for a visa.

Who is an Immediate Relative?

You are an immediate relative if you are:

- ☒ The spouse of a U.S. citizen
- ☒ The unmarried child under 21 years of age of a U.S. citizen
- ☒ The parent of a U.S. citizen (if the U.S. citizen is 21 years of age or older)

U.S. Citizens Can File Petitions For:

- ✓ Spouse
- ✓ Son or daughter
- ✓ Parent
- ✓ Brother or sister

U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents (Green Card Holders) Can File Petitions For:

- ✓ Spouse
- ✓ Unmarried son or daughter

If you are an immediate relative of a U.S. citizen, you can become a lawful permanent resident (get a Green Card) based on your family relationship if you meet certain eligibility requirements.

Family Preference Immigrant Categories

Other family members who are not immediate relatives are eligible to apply for an immigrant visa and/or Green Card described in the family 'preference immigrant' categories (F1, F2A, F2B, F3, F4).

Non-Immigrant Visas for Temporary Visits

If you are a family member of a U.S. citizen looking to temporarily visit with a non-immigrant visa:

- ✓ A fiancé(e) residing outside the United States and unmarried children of the fiancé(e) under 21 can apply for a fiancé(e) visa (K-1/K-2 respectively).
- ✓ A spouse residing outside the United States and unmarried children of the spouse under 21 can apply for a K-3 and K-4 visa respectively.
- ✓ Other family members can apply for a visitor visa (B-1/B-2).

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Employment, Work & Student Visas

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Immigrant Visa for Permanent Employment

If you are seeking to immigrate and live permanently in the United States based on your job skill or capital investment, and depending on eligibility criteria and evidence provided, you may apply for permanent (immigrant) employment visas – otherwise known as Employment-Based Visas.

Employment-Based Visa Categories:

Employment-Based Visas are categorized by five preferences relative to occupation and ability (EB-1 through EB-5).

- ✔ EB-1: Priority workers (persons of extraordinary ability, outstanding professors and researchers, multinational executives and managers)
- ✔ EB-2: Professionals with advanced degrees or exceptional ability
- ✔ EB-3: Skilled workers, professionals, and other workers
- ✔ EB-4: Special immigrants (religious workers, employees of U.S. foreign service posts, etc.)
- ✔ EB-5: Immigrant investors (capital investment creating jobs)

Nonimmigrant Visa for Temporary Work

If you would like to come to the United States lawfully as a nonimmigrant to work temporarily, you generally must have your prospective employer file a nonimmigrant petition on your behalf with USCIS.

Common Temporary Work Visa Categories:

- H-1B: Specialty occupations
- H-2A: Temporary agricultural workers
- H-2B: Temporary non-agricultural workers
- L-1: Intracompany transferees
- O-1: Individuals with extraordinary ability or achievement
- P: Athletes, artists, and entertainers

Visitor (Nonimmigrant) Visa for Business

To visit the United States for short-term business, you need to obtain a Temporary Business Visitor visa (B-1), unless you qualify for admission without a visa under the Visa Waiver Program.

B-1 visa activities may include:

- ✔ Consulting with business associates
- ✔ Attending business conventions or conferences
- ✔ Negotiating contracts
- ✔ Settling estates

Nonimmigrant Visa for Students

If you are a student looking to pursue full-time academic or vocational studies in the United States, you may be eligible for one of two nonimmigrant student visa categories. If you wish to participate in an exchange program, you may be eligible for the exchange visitor category.

F Academic Students

For students enrolled in an academic educational program at an approved school, college, university, or English language training program.

M Vocational Students

For students enrolled in vocational or other nonacademic programs, other than language training.

J Exchange Visitors

For individuals participating in an exchange visitor program, including students, scholars, trainees, teachers, au pairs, and more.

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U Nonimmigrant Status (U Visa)

The U nonimmigrant status (U Visa) is set aside for victims of certain crimes who have suffered mental or physical abuse and are helpful to law enforcement or government officials in the investigation or prosecution of criminal activity.

Key Benefits:

- ✓ Temporary legal status in the United States
- ✓ Work authorization
- ✓ Potential path to lawful permanent residence (Green Card)

Special Provisions for Minors and Persons with Disabilities

If you are under the age of 16 or unable to provide information due to a disability, a parent, guardian, or next friend may possess the information about the crime and assist law enforcement on your behalf.

Derivative U Visas for Family Members

Certain qualifying family members are eligible for a derivative U Visa based on their relationship to you as well as your age. You must have the petition for a U Visa approved before family members can be eligible for their own derivative U Visa.

Eligible family members may include:

- ✓ Spouse
- ✓ Children
- ✓ Parents (if principal applicant is under 21)
- ✓ Unmarried siblings under 18 (if principal applicant is under 21)

T Nonimmigrant Status (T Visa)

The T nonimmigrant status (T Visa) is a temporary immigration benefit. It enables certain victims of a severe form of trafficking in persons to remain in the United States for an initial period of up to 4 years if they complied with any reasonable request for assistance from law enforcement in the detection, investigation, or prosecution of human trafficking or qualify for an exemption or exception.

Key Benefits:

- ✓ Initial stay of up to 4 years in the United States
- ✓ Work authorization
- ✓ Eligibility to apply for lawful permanent residence (Green Card) after 3 years
- ✓ Protection from removal (deportation)

Derivative T Visas for Family Members

Certain eligible family members may be eligible for T nonimmigrant status. The eligibility depends on whether your family members are in present danger of retaliation because of your escape from trafficking or cooperation with law enforcement.

Family Members in Present Danger (Any Age):

Regardless of your age, you may apply for the following family members if they are in present danger of retaliation:

- ✓ Your parents
- ✓ Your unmarried siblings under 18 years of age
- ✓ The children of any age or marital status of your eligible family members who have been granted derivative T nonimmigrant status

Family Members Not in Present Danger:

If your family members are not in present danger of retaliation, then certain qualifying family members are eligible for a derivative T Visa based on their relationship to you as well as your age.

- ✓ Spouse
- ✓ Children
- ✓ Parents (if principal applicant is under 21)
- ✓ Unmarried siblings under 18 (if principal applicant is under 21)

Need Help with Your Application?

Our compassionate team understands the sensitivity of these cases and is here to provide confidential support through the U or T visa process.

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Green Card, Registry, Renewal & Reissue

For individuals seeking to obtain, renew, or reissue a Green Card (officially known as Permanent Resident Card), which allows you to live and work permanently in the United States.

To Apply for a Green Card

The steps you must take will vary depending on your individual situation. Most people who apply for a Green Card will need to complete at least two forms—an immigrant petition and a Green Card application (Form I-485). Someone else usually must file the petition for you (often referred to as sponsoring or petitioning for you), although you may be eligible to file for yourself in some cases.

Eligibility Categories

Eligibility categories include:

-  **Through Family**
Based on a close family relationship with a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident
-  **Through Employment**
Based on a permanent job offer or exceptional abilities
-  **As a Special Immigrant**
Including religious workers, international organization employees, and others
-  **Through Refugee or Asylee Status**
If you have been granted refugee or asylum status in the United States
-  **For Human Trafficking and Crime Victims**
Through U or T nonimmigrant status

- ✓ For Victims of Abuse
Through VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) self-petition

Registry (Continuous Residence Since 1972)

You may also be eligible to register for a Green Card if you have resided continuously in the United States since before January 1, 1972.

⚠ Important:

This provision allows certain long-term residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status even if they entered the U.S. without inspection or their status has since expired.

To Renew or Replace a Green Card

If you are a lawful permanent resident or conditional permanent resident with an existing Green Card, you may apply to replace your Green Card if your reasons are deemed eligible.

Common Reasons to Replace a Green Card:

- ✓ Your existing card has expired or will expire within the next 6 months
- ✓ Your card has been lost, stolen, or destroyed
- ✓ You changed your name or other biographical information
- ✓ Your previous card was issued with incorrect information
- ✓ You reached 14 years of age and your card was issued when you were under 14

⚠ Important Notice for Conditional Permanent Residents:

If you are a conditional permanent resident, you cannot renew your two-year Green Card. Instead, you must file a petition to remove conditions 90 days before your Green Card expires, or you will lose your permanent resident status.

The Application Process

1 Determine Eligibility

Identify which category applies to your situation

2 File Immigrant Petition

Have your sponsor file the appropriate petition, or file yourself if eligible

3 Submit Green Card Application

Complete Form I-485 (Application to Register Permanent Residence)

4 Attend Biometrics Appointment

Provide fingerprints, photo, and signature at a USCIS office

5 Attend Interview

If required, attend an interview at a USCIS office

6 Receive Decision

USCIS will mail you their decision and, if approved, your Green Card

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The State Bar *of California*

WITNESS INTERVIEW MEMORANDUM

DATE OF CONTACT: May 12, 2026

TO: **FILE**

FROM: Sandra Hernandez, Investigator

RESPONDENT NAME: Wendy Dong

FILE NUMBER: 24-NA-28110

SUBJECT: SITE VISIT - 13751 Rosewell Avenue B, Chino, CA 91710

I arrived at the site at approximately 1:12 PM. There was no parking directly in front of the site, so I parked off to the side. There was light inside the establishment, but the door was closed.

At approximately 1:15 PM, a female opened the door and walked inside the business. This individual appears to be an employee, possibly returning from lunch. The door remained open afterward.

At 1:45 pm, an Asian male drove into the parking lot, parked, and entered the business. He was dressed in a light blue colored button-down shirt and slacks and appeared to be carrying a small box. He remained inside the establishment for approximately 10 minutes before returning to his minivan and departing. It is unclear whether he was an employee or a client.

No other individuals were observed entering or exiting the business.

At approximately 2:45 pm, I departed the site.



EXHIBIT 5

From: [Hernandez, Sandra](#)
To: ["wendy@americanic.us"; "contact@americanic.us"](#)
Subject: State Bar Case No. 24-NA-28110
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2026 10:49:00 AM
Attachments: [TR1 Letter.pdf](#)

Dear Wendy Dong:

This email and attached letter are being sent to you based upon information that you are not currently represented by counsel in this matter. If this is incorrect, please advise me within five days so that future communications may be directed to your counsel.

Please be advised that the State Bar received a complaint alleging that you may have engaged in, or are actively engaging in, the unauthorized practice of law. Provide your written response to the allegations detailed in the attached letter, along with copies of any documents in support of your response, by email to sandra.hernandez@calbar.ca.gov by July 6, 2026.

Please contact me by email or phone if you have any questions.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Respectfully,

Sandra Hernandez (she/her/hers)
Investigator, Office of Chief Trial Counsel
[The State Bar of California](#) | 845 S. Figueroa Street | Los Angeles, CA 90017
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June 23, 2026

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL: wendy@americanic.us; contact@americanic.us

Wendy Dong
AKA Christine Dunn
13751 Roswell Avenue, Suite B
Chino, CA 91710

Re: Case Number: 24-NA-28110
Complainant: Xiuying Zhu

Dear Ms. Dong:

This letter is sent to you based upon information that you are not currently represented by counsel in this matter. If this is incorrect, please advise me within **five** days so that future communications may be directed to your counsel.

The State Bar of California received a complaint Mrs. Xiuying Zhu alleging that on May 30, 2024, she hired American Immigration Center ("AIC") to represent her before the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services or the Executive Office for Immigration Review. Pursuant to the retainer agreement signed, AIC agreed to help Ms. Zhu apply for parole for her friends Zhu Jiahui and Li Bingrui, who were detained in the Adams County Detention Center. Ms. Zhu paid AIC \$6,000 in legal fees, which were paid via Zelle.

On or about June 17, 2024, Ms. Zhu terminated AIC. On July 8, 2024, Ms. Zhu received a letter and invoice from AIC, which included the name of California attorney Jimmy Hu, acknowledging her decision to terminate AIC. She was also provided with a copy of an invoice for the services rendered, totaling \$6,000, and a request for an additional \$1,500. Mrs. Zhu alleged that no work was completed in her case and that no active licensed attorney worked on her matter. She requested a full refund of the fees paid, but no refund was issued.

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According to our official membership records, you are not licensed to practice law in the state of California. Accordingly, please respond to the following:

1. Provide your written response and any supporting evidence to the above allegations.
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3. Are you admitted to practice law in another jurisdiction? If so, please indicate the jurisdiction, date of admission, and your law license number.
4. Provide a detailed description of your involvement in Mrs. Zhu's immigration matter detailed above.
5. Did you provide any legal services to Mrs. Zhu, Zhu Jiahui, and Li Bing in this matter? If so, specify the dates and describe the services.
6. Please provide a complete copy of your file concerning your representation of Mrs. Zhu, including but not limited to: (a) all correspondence, including electronic communications such as email and text messages; (b) all activity logs, notes, memoranda, or other documents referencing work performed on the matter, meetings, discussions, and/or telephonic communications, however stored; (c) all records of time spent working on the matter, including billing statements and invoices; and (d) all records of funds received and disbursements made from those funds.
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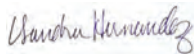
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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Sandra Hernandez
Investigator

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August 11, 2026

VIA PERSONAL DELIVERY

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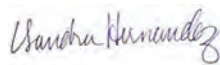
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Sandra Hernandez
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Our family has been in the U.S. for nearly 10 years. Due to mishandling of our previous case, our case ended up in immigration court, facing deportation. The lawyers at AIC were incredibly professional. They carefully analyzed our case, found the relevant legal basis in immigration law, and ultimately won our case in court, securing our green cards! We are so grateful!



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Horrendous services, they will just pretend to care about your case. They never update you about anything unless you ask them. They will do anything to over price everything for anything even though you agreed with them on paper contract and verbal contract about what services are included. By overprice I really mean it, first of all we reach them to fill out documents to get an F1 visa for my brother then extras fees are asked for everything after initial payment. For our second case which was doing a bundle of I-485, I-130 and I-765 (green card and social security, in this bundle contracts clearly says that they are responsible in my cases by filling the applications, collecting and uploading any evidence request as well as doing the I-864) they tried to charge us \$4000+ initially while one of my friends doing the same thing was charged only \$2000+, they quickly dropped down the price by 50% after we denied their offer (ALERT OF SCAMS). When we finally get in contract with them to have my cases done, they started to asked for extra fees such as filling I-864 and submitting evidence requested by USCIS. They asked me to pay a fee of \$1200 at the beginning then dropping down to \$800 then dropping down again to \$500 for a services that I already paid and have contract on (ALERT OF SCAMS ONCE AGAIN) They will still try to get your money just by resubmitting documents or sending out Request of evidence from the USCIS (All THIS SERVICES ARE INCLUDED IN MY BUNDLE FOR MY CASES).

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American Immigration Center (Owner)

a month ago

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Two years ago, I asked them to help my niece apply for SIJS. Their lawyers were very professional and responsible, and gave us a lot of good advice. Before that, I had contacted another law firm, but their SIJS application was rejected by the court. We didn't know why. Later, a friend recommended them, and they helped my niece successfully obtain her green card. They were really great. In short, they are trustworthy.



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I'm truly grateful for their help. professional, responsive, and very supportive throughout the process. My green card got approved - Highly recommend!



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J.J.

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Excellent service from start to finish. The team was patient and knowledgeable throughout our long immigration journey. Thanks to them, our family is now together in the U.S. with approved green cards.



Victor Liu

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Hello, we were unable to locate any records under your name. If you are indeed our client, please provide us with your detailed information, or contact us directly at (626) 270-0909. We will review your specific case and work with you toward a proper resolution.

Regarding your mention of Forms I-485, I-130, I-765, and I-864, please note that the filing fees charged by USCIS for these applications already exceed \$2,600. It appears there may be a misunderstanding in your statement.

Additionally, if you are part of a vulnerable group in need of assistance, please let us know. Our attorneys occasionally provide pro bono services, and you may be eligible for support if you can provide documentation showing that you require such assistance.

Thank you for bringing your concerns to our attention.



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★★★★★ 10 months ago

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Don't trust them! It deserves the award for worst customer service in the whole world. They told me my case was easy to fix and I paid for all the fees including their service. They did not fix my problem and made it worse. It just waste my time and my money. They are not professional at all. They never answer the phone calls during working hours. DON'T GO THERE ! ! !



American Immigration Center (Owner)

11 months ago

Thank you for your message. We reviewed our records and contacted all clients currently under agreement; we did not find any communication issues. At this time, we are unable to identify you as our client. If you are, please contact our office directly so we can promptly assist you. Kindly note that our office is located in California and follows Pacific Standard Time, so calls placed outside business hours may not be answered.



Adalid Escobedo

9 reviews · 2 photos

★☆☆☆☆ a year ago

I call to book an appointment and the first thing they said there services are not for free and of course I know for a fact is not free services I'm business owner and I don't provide services with not cost but is very rude to call a business an the first thing they say is not for free is ridiculous of course I don't get my services never at this office 00000000 customer service don't go to this place



American Immigration Center (Owner)

11 months ago

Thank you for your feedback. For clarification, our office provides free responses to general inquiries by phone. However, for case-specific legal matters, we require a scheduled consultation with an attorney, which is subject to a fee. We always treat every client with professionalism and respect, and we have never engaged in discourteous behavior. We therefore respectfully disagree with the conclusion expressed in your comment.



Bobbie Sales

1 review

★★★★★ 7 years ago

I'm using them to get my green card and they are helping me alot. I have my interview soon after I submit my final documents and I will get my citizenship.



Alfred Sainville

1 review

★★★★★ 7 years ago

Great people. They helped with my asylum case.



Lyu kaikai

1 review

★★★★★ a month ago

I am very grateful to Wendy and Joe for their professional help and patient guidance throughout my immigration case. Immigration cases are often complex and uncertain, but they consistently answered my questions patiently and explained each step of the process clearly, which made me feel at ease and trusted. I highly recommend them to anyone who needs immigration legal assistance.



American Immigration Center (Owner)

a month ago

Thank you for your encouragement!

 5 reviews

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 3 months ago

I've had them handle my case since September, but there's been no progress at all; they just keep dragging it out. It wasn't until I found a new lawyer and opened the court files that I realized they hadn't done anything from the start. There's no record of them handling anything in the court files, and they won't refund clients' fees. Don't be fooled; they won't handle your case even if you pay!

Translated by Google · [See original \(Chinese\)](#)

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 **American Immigration Center (Owner)**

 a month ago

Mr. Tang, we've been extremely busy these past few months, with a large number of court cases requiring our focused attention. That's why we're only replying today. The reason is that your case is very complex. Since 2015, it has involved multiple rejections by the immigration authorities regarding study abroad, marriage, asylum, and other issues. You requested further appeals, but you couldn't provide the necessary documentation. We could only retrieve the documents from the immigration court for you. In April, we successfully retrieved the documents and notified you. Currently, a processing time of 5-8 months is normal for cases like yours. We completely understand your anxiety, and we ask for your understanding of the predicament we face between our clients and the immigration authorities (the immigration court). We sincerely hope for a swift and successful resolution for your case, but we can only follow legal procedures, and sometimes waiting is necessary. Thank you for choosing us, and please understand!

 **David Zhang**

1 review

★★★★★ 7 months ago

Thank you so much to your legal team for winning our nearly ten-year immigration case. Our whole family has received green cards. We are so grateful! Words and money cannot express our gratitude.

 **Mark Gonzales**

1 review

★★★★★ 7 years ago

The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services processed my green card and helped my family immigrate to the United States. I found the company to be professional and efficient. They kept me well-informed throughout the entire process.

The company has Spanish-speaking employees if you prefer to communicate in Spanish.

EXHIBIT 8



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Website

<https://www.americanic.us/>

Phone

+1 626-270-0909

Industry

Legal Services

Company size

11-50 employees

16 associated members

Headquarters

Chino, California

Specialties

Immigration, Green Cards, Visas, and Work Permits

Locations (1)

Primary

13751 Roswell Ave, Suite B, Chino, California 91710, US

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1 **DECLARATION OF STATE BAR INVESTIGATOR DON LE**

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3 I, Don Le, hereby declare and state the following:

4 1. I am over the age of 18 and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth in
5 this declaration and, if called upon, I could competently testify to them.

6 2. I am employed as an Investigator by the State Bar of California (hereinafter "State
7 Bar"), Office of Chief Trial Counsel, in Los Angeles, California. I have been employed with
8 the State Bar of California for 4 years.

9 3. I was the investigator assigned to the complaint filed against attorney Jimmy Hu
10 (hereinafter "Mr. Hu"), whose office is located at 1541 Pastel Way, Davis, CA 95618, in State
11 Bar case number 24-O-19762.

12 4. Mr. Hu is a licensee of the State Bar, Bar Number 286943.

13 5. In the complaint, Xiuying Zhu (hereinafter "Zhu") stated that several attorneys
14 told her that there were no remedies for her relatives' immigration detention case, so she
15 contacted "American Immigration Center" (hereinafter "AIC"), located at 13751 Roswell Ave
16 #B, Chino, CA 91710 on May 30, 2024. A True and Correct copy of the State Bar Complaint
17 Form filled out by Zhu is attached as **Exhibit 1**. A True and Correct copy of Zhu's Fee
18 Agreement with AIC is attached as **Exhibit 2**.

19 6. AIC then told Zhu that her relatives could apply for parole. Zhu paid \$6,000 and
20 signed a contract with AIC. The screenshots of payment Zhu made to AIC are attached as
21 **Exhibit 3**.

22 7. On June 27, 2024, Zhu, believing that AIC was not performing competently,
23 requested a refund. In response, AIC sent Zhu an invoice for an additional \$1,500 and short
24 description of the work performed. A True and Correct copy of the invoice from AIC is
25 attached as **Exhibit 4**.

26 8. On July 8, 2024, AIC sent Zhu a letter, printed on AIC letterhead, memorializing
27 the termination of the contract. The letter addressed to Zhu and Xiang Li states that AIC
28 "formally acknowledge[s] your decision to terminate our legal service agreement."

1 9. The letter also summarizes the work performed, which included contacting
2 Immigration and Customs Enforcement, filing a parole request via USPS on June 3, 2024, and
3 contacting the Enforcement and Removal Operations office to follow up on the request.

4 **10.** The letter ends with a signature block identifying the signer as Mr. Hu, Attorney
5 at Law, American Immigration Center, 626-270-0909. A True and Correct copy of the letter
6 from AIC is attached as **Exhibit 5**.

7 11. On July 16, 2024, Zhu filed a State Bar complaint against Mr. Hu.

8 12. On September 19, 2024, I emailed Mr. Hu at jdhujdhu@gmail.com to inquire
9 about the complaint filed by Zhu. A True and Correct copy of the email I sent to Mr. Hu is
10 attached as **Exhibit 6**.

11 13. On October 3, 2024, Mr. Hu responded by email, stating he had “never heard of,
12 interacted or communicated with, or have any idea who Xuiying Zhu might be.”

13 14. Mr. Hu explained that he worked as an outside contract attorney with AIC. Mr.
14 Hu’s role was to provide research for general immigration questions and to assist with
15 document review.

16 15. Mr. Hu had not authorized AIC to sign or use his name on its billing documents.
17 A True and Correct copy of Mr. Hu’s response letter is attached as **Exhibit 7**.

18 16. On November 1, 2024, I emailed Mr. Hu asking if they could identify the owner
19 or managing partner of AIC.

20 17. On November 3, 2024, Mr. Hu responded advising the owner of AIC is Wendy
21 Dong, who also uses the name Christine Dunn, and who could be reached at
22 wendy@americanic.us. Mr. Hu advised that AIC typically uses the LINE app for
23 communication.

24 18. On November 6, 2024, Mr. Hu added that he believed Joe Yang,
25 consultant@americanic.us, signed his name without authorization. Mr. Hu states “Wendy
26 initially offered to submit a declaration by Joe, explaining that the signature in question is not
27 mine, and was signed without my authorization. Wendy also offered to provide the Claimant’s
28 case files.” A True and Correct copy of the email exchanges is attached as **Exhibit 8**.

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2 Based on the information obtained through the course of this investigation, we opened an
3 unauthorized practice of law (UPL) investigation on AIC and forwarded the case to the State
4 Bar's UPL department.

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6 I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
7 is true and correct.

8 Executed this 21st day of August 2026 in Los Angeles, California.

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11 Don Le, Investigator

12 Declarant
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Nonattorney Unlicensed Practice of Law Complaint

Your Contact Information

Title: Mrs.

First name: Xiuying

Middle name:

Last name: Zhu

Address: 84 Kim Louise Dr. Apt 3

City: Campbell

State: CA

ZIP code: 95008

Email: leahleah1015@gmail.com

Your telephone numbers:

Home: (626) 566-0476

Work:

Cell:

Nonattorney's Information

First name: Xiuying

Middle name:

Last name: Zhu

Address: 84 Kim Louise Dr. Apt 3

City: Campbell

State: CA

ZIP code: 95008

Email: leahleah1015@gmail.com

Primary phone: (626) 566-0476

Other phone:

Cell phone:

Business Name: American Immigration Center

Website: <http://americanic.us>

Did you hire the nonattorney?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Did the nonattorney provide legal services (for example appear in court, give legal advice or prepare legal documents)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Did the nonattorney say he or she was an attorney?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Does this complaint involve allegations of nonattorney unauthorized practice of law where a person 65 years of age or older was victimized?

☒ Yes ☐ No



Nonattorney Unlicensed Practice of Law Complaint

Does this complaint involve allegations of nonattorney unauthorized practice of law where a person who is incapacitated, infirm, disabled, incarcerated, an immigrant, or a minor was victimized?

- ☒ Yes ☐ No

Additional Complainant Information

Please select one of the options below to specify relationship to the complaint:

- | | |
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| ☒ Client | ☐ Concerned citizen (other than client) |
| ☐ Opposing Counsel | ☐ Client's Subsequent Attorney |
| ☐ Attorney Other | ☐ Opposing Party |
| ☐ Prosecution Agency | ☐ Immigration Government Agency |

Was there any harm to the nonattorney's client? Select from the options below:

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| ☒ Illegal Fee Charged | ☒ Illegal Fee Not Returned/Refunded |
| ☒ No Services Rendered | ☐ Adverse Legal Outcomes |
| ☐ Missed Statute of Limitations | ☐ Waiver of Legal Claims |
| ☐ Frivolous Litigation | ☐ Loss of Documents/Case File |
| ☐ Immigration Benefit Denial or Placed into Deportation | |
| ☐ Other | |

Statement of Complaint

Include with your submission a statement of what the nonattorney did or did not do that is the basis of your complaint. Please state the facts as you understand them. Do not include opinions or arguments. If you hired the nonattorney(s), state what you hired the nonattorney(s) to do. Additional information may be requested.



Nonattorney Unlicensed Practice of Law Complaint

I was led to believe that I was hiring a law firm for my case based on the language in the contract and my discussions with the company coordinator. I think that I was misled.

I had spoken with several lawyers about my relatives detention case and they all told me that there was nothing to do but wait given the circumstances. My last call was with American Detention Center, and she led me to believe that she had some ways to help with my relatives ICE detention through parole and so I jumped at the chance. The parole never happened.

After a few weeks I sensed that the company was ineffective and not really a professional firm, and I requested a refund. Instead of refunding or partially refunding, they attempted to bill me an additional \$1500 above the \$6000 fixed fee that I originally gave them. They provided an invoice that documents hours that I do not believe are accurate in quantity, and also indicate a billing rate of \$500/hr for all the hours, including the time for discussions with the original intake person when the contract states \$500/hr for attorney rate. I never spoke with anyone other than the original intake person.

This prompted me to investigate the legitimacy of the company. The sole member of the corporation registered with the state under "American Immigration Center, Inc " is not listed on the state bar and their corporation is not registered with the bar. They are also not registered or bonded with the state as an immigration consultant.

I told them that I wanted to participate in Mandatory Fee Arbitration and asked where they are registered with the State Bar so that I know which association to contact for arbitration. They ignored these requests and did not provide any information.

In addition, my research about their contract highlighted several shortcomings:

I never received a countersigned copy of the agreement

It didn't include a disclosure of malpractice insurance.

There is no contract language about fee splitting with outside attorneys.

Beyond the legality of their operation or the fairness and accuracy of their invoice, the actual services provided fell short. They did not speak to my relatives in ICE detention beyond a few minutes (again with the original intake person). The case resolved on its own through the normal process, without their assistance.

The only portion of the bill that was visible to me was \$500/hr x 4 hours for discussions with the intake person. They included time spent from her calling me and attempting to convince me not to cancel the contract.

I have sincere doubts that they had 7 hours of discussions with people at ICE. I reached ICE several times myself with questions and struggled to keep them on the phone for more than a few minutes.

Related Court Case Information

Court name:

Case name:

Case number:

Approx. date case was filed:

If you are not a party to this case, what is your connection with it? Explain briefly.



Nonattorney Unlicensed Practice of Law Complaint

Attachments

☐ No files attached

- IMG_20240716_152026.jpg
- IMG_20240716_152046.jpg
- Immigration Services Agreement.docx.pdf
- Invoice - Invoice (1).pdf
- letter to client.pdf

Translation Information

☒ Not applicable

The State Bar accepts complaints in over 200 languages. If you need translation services to communicate with the State Bar, please let us know by completing this section of the complaint form. We will communicate with you through a translation service in the language of your choice. Do you need translation services?

☐ Yes ☐ No

State the language in which you need formal translation:

Submission

- ☒ By checking this box I certify that all information on this form is true and correct.
I understand that the content of my complaint can be disclosed to the Nonattorney.
I also agree that the checkbox and my name typed below are to be used as my electronic signature.

Signature Xiang Li



Immigration Services Agreement

移民服务协议

A. TERMS OF REPRESENTATION代表方条款:

This agreement for legal representation and service is between the American Immigration Center

("AIC") and Zhu, Xiuying referred to hereinafter as the "Client(s)". 此协议合法地代表并服务于美国移民中心("AIC")和 朱秀英 并下文中称之为"客户"。

I, the undersigned client, hereby authorize AIC to represent me in the following immigration matter before the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), or the Executive Office for Immigration Review ("Immigration Court"), in connection with the following services:

我, 在下方签名的客户, 在此授权美国移民中心代表我本人, 就以下移民服务项目向美国公民和移民服务局或移民审查执行办公室(简称移民法庭)办理相关移民事务, 移民服务项目包括:

1. **As legal counsel for guarantor Zhu Xiuying, help her apply for parole for her friends, Zhu, Jiahui & Li, Bingrui, who are currently detained in ADAMS COUNTY DETENTION CENTER, 20 Hobo Ford Road, Natchez, Ms 39120 with The Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on behalf of her two friends Zhu Jiahui and Li Bingrui.**作为担保人朱秀英的法律代理, 帮助她代表其两个朋友朱家慧和李炳瑞向美国移民和海关执法局(ICE)申请假释, 他们目前被拘留在 **ADAMS COUNTY DETENTION CENTER, 20 Hobo Ford Road, Natchez, Ms 39120**。

(PLEASE NOTE THAT AIC WILL ONLY REPRESENT CLIENT(S) IN THE SPECIFIED SERVICES LISTED ABOVE.

(请注意:美国移民中心仅限于在以上列示服务项目中代表客户。)

B. I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS AS A CLIENT:

作为客户, 我明白我有以下权利:

- a. To be kept informed by AIC about any important developments in my case.
 - b. To be consulted by AIC legal staff before any significant decision is made or action taken on my behalf.
 - c. To expect that AIC legal staff will pursue my case with all reasonable diligence and will maintain the confidentiality of all the information that I share with my legal representative. No documents in my file will be released to anyone other than myself without my consent.
 - d. To be informed in writing if AIC withdraws as my legal representative for any reason, and to be provided with any original documents belonging to me or issued by USCIS or the Immigration Court regarding my case.
- a. 美国移民中心需告知有关我案件重要进展的信息。
 - b. 在代表我做任何重要决定或采取行动之前, 美国移民中心法律人员需要询问我的意见。
 - c. AIC员工要合理地全力跟进我的案子, 并要对我与法律代表人分享的信息保密。未经我同意不得将我的文件泄露给除我以外的任何其他人。
 - d. 若因某种原因AIC取消作为我的法律代表人, 要以书面形式通知我, 并将所有属于我的文件正本、美国移民局发给我的所有文件正本或来自移民法庭的所有关于我案件的文件正本返还给我。

C. I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE THE FOLLOWING RESPONSIBILITIES AS A CLIENT (S) OF

AIC:作为AIC的客户, 我明白我有以下责任:

- a. To attend all scheduled appointments with my legal representative, or to call to reschedule an appointment at least 48 hours before the appointment time if I cannot attend.
- b. To be truthful in all my communications with my legal representative.
- c. To inform my legal representative of all changes of address, telephone number and any circumstances within 7 days of any change.
- d. To cooperate in assisting my legal representative in obtaining requested documents or information needed for my case.

- e. To respond to letters and phone calls from my legal representative asking me to call her or him.
- f. To attend all USCIS interviews, court hearings or other appointments scheduled in my case with the USCIS or the Immigration Court, or at any other location.
- g. To make all payments to AIC as agreed upon in the payment plan written in Part E, below. Any changes to the payment plan will not be in effect unless agreed to by both AIC and myself in writing.
- h. If this agreement is terminated by either myself or AIC, I agree that any money I have paid to AIC will be refunded to me, minus the attorney's hourly fee of \$500 for the hours already worked on my case, and that I will remain responsible for paying all money which may still be owed by me for the work AIC did on my behalf. I also agree to pay any bank charged penalty on returned checks.
- a. 同我的法律代表人的所有预约, 要如期赴约, 若不能赴约, 要至少提前48小时打电话另约时间。
- b. 跟我的法律代表沟通时要诚实。
- c. 若我的地址、电话或其它情况有变更, 要在变更7天内通知我的法律代表人。
- d. 配合协助我的法律代表人获取有关我案件的文件或信息。
- e. 对法律代表人的来信或来电, 要作出回复。
- f. 参加所有美国移民局要求的面试、法庭庭审或在其它的预约面谈。
- g. 按照下面E部分商定的付款计划向美国移民中心支付所有款项。除非AIC和我本人书面同意, 否则付款计划的任何变动不会有效。
- h. 如果我本人或AIC终止此协议, 我同意AIC将款项余款退还于我(全款扣除每小时\$500的律师费)。若我有欠款, 我要全部结清。我同意支付银行退票产生的所有罚款。

D. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THE FOLLOWING:

我需进一步了解以下内容:

- a. AIC cannot guarantee that I will be granted the benefit that I am seeking from USCIS or the Immigration Court, even after AIC successfully files all necessary applications and documents.
- b. If I am in the United States without legal immigration status, I am always subject to deportation or removal by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). If I am not already in deportation or removal proceedings at the time that AIC agrees to represent me, the AIC may not be able to protect me from deportation or removal and will make an independent decision whether to represent me in my deportation or removal proceedings. Further fees will apply for representation relating to removal hearings.
- c. That the AIC may withdraw as my legal representative and close my case at any time, if I fail to provide truthful information or documentation to my legal representative, or fail to comply with my responsibilities in Part C, above, or fail to comply with the agreed upon payment plan in Part E.
- d. That if my case involves several additional steps, AIC is not obligated to represent me in all of the additional steps of the process beyond those agreed to at Part A, above. AIC may withdraw from representing me in any additional stages, or AIC and I may make a new agreement, effective only after put in writing (signed by Client(s)), for continued representation for any additional or new steps not described in Part A, above.
- a. AIC不能保证美国移民局或移民法庭会批准我的申请, 即使AIC成功提交了所有需要的申请和文件。
- b. 如果我在美国没有合法的移民身份, 我将随时被递解出境。如果我还没有处在递解出境的程序中, AIC将同意做我的代表。但AIC没有保护我不被递解出境的能力, 并且可以独立决定在我处于递解出境程序时是否还继续代表我。关于递解听证, 需要支付额外的代理费用。
- c. 如果我没有向我的法律代表人提供真实的信息或文件, 或没有履行上述C部分的责任, 或没有按照下面E部分中商定的付款计划付款, AIC可以在任何时候取消作为我的法律代表并关闭我的案子。
- d. 如果我的案件包含几个额外的步骤, 除了上述A部分中商定的, AIC没有义务在申请程序的所有额外步骤中代表我。AIC可以在任何附加阶段中取消对我的代表, 或者对于上述A部分未提及的额外的或新的步骤, 为了继续AIC对我的代表, AIC和我可以签署一份新的协议, 签署书面文件后生效。

E. LEGAL FEE & PAYMENT PLAN

法律服务费用和付款计划

I understand that the fee for these services that AIC will provide, as described in Part A above,

will be \$ 6,000.00 USD,

Document translation fee \$ _____,

FedEx/ USPS/UPS Fee and Copy Fee \$ _____,

Totally \$ 6,000.00USD,

我明白上述A部分中提到的AIC的服务费是 6,000.00 美元,

文件翻译费_____，

快递费及打印复印费_____，

合计 6,000.00 美元

payable with Wire Transfer, Check, Money Order, Cash, or Credit Card. I understand that this fee does not include any of the following: 可以通过电汇、支票、邮政汇票、现金或信用卡支付。我明白此费用不包含以下内容：

- USCIS or Immigration Court filing fees
- Fingerprints, and photos which may be required with my application, if any;
- Any extraordinary charges incurred by AIC in its efforts to pursue my case, such as costs of experts, long distance telephone calls, messenger or express delivery services; color or extraordinary photocopy costs, if any, or any additional charges written below
- Costs of preparing any additional USCIS applications which are not mentioned in Part A, such as work authorization renewal applications, etc.
- Appeals of any decisions by USCIS or the Immigration Court made in my case.
- 美国移民局或移民法庭的政府规费
- 我的申请可能会用到的指纹费用和照片费用;
- 为跟进我的案子, AIC发生的任何额外费用, 比如专家费、长途电话费、通讯费、快递费, 彩色复印或特殊复印的费用, 或者下面写到的其它费用。
- A部分中未提到的任何美国移民申请的准备工作, 如工卡更新申请的费用等。
- 对美国移民局或移民法庭在我案子中做出的任何决定的上诉费用。

I agree to the following payment plan:

我同意以下付款计划:

Date 日期	Amount金额	Chk/MO/Cash/CC	Balance 余额	Note
05/30/2024	6,000.00			

Client (Signature):

客人签字:

Date (mm/dd/yyyy):

日期:05/30/2024

AIC REP (Signature):

AIC代表签字

Date (mm/dd/yyyy):

日期:05/30/2024

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Details



Hi, I'm Erica. How can I help?



Zelle payment to
AMERICAN
IMMIGRATION
CENTER
CORPORATION
Conf# i41znrqem

[Edit Description](#)



Amount

-\$1,000.00

Transaction Date

05/30/2024

Type

Transfer

Merchant name ⓘ

[AMERICAN IMMIGRA](#)

Transaction category

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Message to recipient lawyer

13751 Roswell Ave #B
Chino CA 91710
626-270-0909

Submitted on 06/03/2024

Invoice #
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Due date
06/03/2024

Notes:	Balance	\$1,500.00
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Zhu Xiuying & Li Xiang
3026 Magliocco Drive, apt 13
San Jose, CA 95128
Tel: 831-889-3007

07/08/2024

Re: Termination of Legal Services Agreement
Dear Xiuying Zhu & Xiang Li

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally acknowledge and respect your decision to terminate our legal services agreement concerning the parole issue for Mr. Li Bingrui and Mr. Zhu Jiahui.

As you are aware, our office contacted the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and successfully identified the appropriate ICE office to handle your case. On June 3, 2024, we filed the parole request via USPS Priority Mail with the identified ICE office. Following the submission, we diligently contacted the Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) office to follow up on the status of your request. Unfortunately, despite our persistent efforts, we did not receive a response from the ERO office until June 27, 2024.

On June 27, 2024, we received your notification requesting the termination of our legal representation through Wechat App. We fully respect your decision and, as of this date, hereby terminate our attorney-client relationship regarding this matter. Please find attached a copy of the invoice for the services rendered up to this point.

Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please feel free to contact our office.

Thank you for allowing us to assist you, and we wish you the best in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Hu
Attorney at Law
American Immigration Center
626-270-0909

From: [Le, Don](#)
To: jdhujdhu@gmail.com
Cc: [Owosekun, Jola](#)
Subject: State Bar Case Number 24-O-19762
Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024 2:55:00 PM
Attachments: [Your California Bar License Is At Risk.pdf](#)

Dear Jimmy Hu,

I am the investigator assigned to the above-captioned investigation filed by Xiuying Zhu.

Zhu spoke to several lawyers about their relatives' detention case and was told there was nothing they could do but wait given the circumstances. Zhu reached out to the American Immigration Center and was told there may be some remedies and decided to hire them paying a flat fee of \$6,000 on May 30, 2024. The fee agreement states American Immigration Center was to help apply for parole. However, after a couple of weeks on June 27, 2024, Zhu believed that the American Immigration Center was ineffective and requested a refund. Zhu was sent an invoice for an additional \$1,500, and a short accounting of work performed. Zhu disputes these charges stating the invoice included the initial consultation and billed 4 hours, 7 hours of discussions with ICE/ERO, and 4 hours of paperwork preparation. Additionally, Zhu received a letter from you confirming that they are terminating the attorney-client relationship and detailed the work performed.

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October 3, 2024

Don Le, Investigator
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Don.Le@calbar.ca.gov
Jola.Owosekun@calbar.ca.gov

via email

**RE: Case Number 24-O-19762
Claimant Xuiying Zhu**

Dear Mr. Le,

I write in response to your email, dated Sept. 19, 2024. Please note all supporting documents and information are provided to you with my clients' consent. I will answer the twelve questions posed in your email (see pages after signature), but the following explanation first should prove helpful.

I have never heard of, interacted or communicated with, or have any idea who Xuiying Zhu might be. After the initial shock of receiving your email, confusion set in as I searched my work files and emails. I do not have a single document, nor a single communication (including any phone call/email/text) for a Xuiying Zhu. I certainly do not have a fee agreement or billing invoice for such a person, nor have I accepted any compensation from Zhu, directly or indirectly. Simply put, any signature purportedly originating from me on any document related to Claimant Zhu is not genuine.

To summarize my understanding of what transpired, I worked as an outside contract attorney with AIC (see **Exhibit A**, corporate registration). My role was to provide research for general immigration questions and to assist with document review, such as for AIC's commercial lease. I have never authorized or agreed that AIC could somehow contract with clients on my behalf. AIC is certainly not authorized to sign or use my name on their billing documents.

Below are examples of recent AIC inquiries for which I conducted research:

1. Is writ of mandamus a viable option if USCIS unreasonably delays processing, such as for permanent residence application?

2. Is legal guardianship transfer possible for those in immigration proceedings such as asylum, and if so, what is the general process?
3. If an immigrant student's F1 visa has expired but his/her I-20 remains valid, can he/she transfer schools? What about obtaining work authorization?

Part of my practice includes serving as outside, "on-call" counsel to small companies that cannot afford or do not need a dedicated internal lawyer. I am paid a flat monthly fee for this service, which is constant and is not affected by the number of work hours in a particular month. I provide legal research and advice when issues arise, and I assist with issues such as the proper procedure for terminating an employee. Such representation expressly does not include litigation representation.

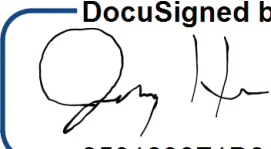
AIC was one of these monthly-pay clients. I received \$500 a month compensation. Again, my role was limited to research and advice and document review. The \$500/month pay does not change and is not dependent on how many clients AIC retains in a particular month. I do not share fees with AIC, nor do I receive any compensation from AIC clients. I reiterate I have never heard of Claimant Zhu, interacted in any manner with him/her, and I certainly did not receive fees from him/her.

I include documentation of my last six payments from AIC, each of which is \$500. I note that at the bottom left of each check, the time period is listed (showing the pay amount is constant and made on a monthly basis). I also provide my 2023 Form 1099-NEC, which shows total yearly pay of \$6,000 (\$500 per month), and shows I am not an employee (see **Exhibit B**).

I have my own fee agreements, letterhead and invoices, completely separate and independent of AIC. Included as **Exhibit C** are two representative invoices of clients that I bill on an hourly basis. I note that I am detailed in my billing notes, and that rather than excessive billing, I routinely reduce my billing hours as a courtesy to clients.

Although I have not seen the referenced billing invoice sent to Claimant Zhu that now results in this investigation, I know without any doubt I did not sign it. As such, any signature on that invoice will not match the two electronic signatures I use (Adobe on the below left, Docusign on the right). **Again, any signature on any document related to Claimant Zhu is not my authorized signature.**



DocuSigned by:

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I have malpractice insurance and an attorney trust account (see **Exhibit D**). I submit support letters from clients and a colleague as **Exhibit E**, who attest to my ethical billing and overall conduct. Purposefully, I asked longtime clients to write on my behalf.

In the interest of transparency and cooperation with your investigation, I do note the following. At times, I have appeared via Zoom or similar online remote appearance, on an ad hoc and one-time

basis, for AIC's clients.¹ In these cases, AIC's client is in detention, and thus, communication is difficult, which is typically compounded by the need for an interpreter. When an undocumented immigrant is detained, the Master Hearing (akin to an arraignment in criminal court) is expedited, meaning the detained person may only have a short period of time to find a representative to appear for the Master Hearing.

In such occasional instances -- I reiterate my appearance for such AIC clients was on a case-by-case basis, only with my specific consent, and without any additional payment from AIC's client or from AIC itself -- I would appear remotely for AIC's clients.

I view such a one-time, Master Hearing appearance as analogous to a "special appearance" in state criminal court. I also note there are firms out there that provide local appearance attorneys. AIC itself has utilized such appearance attorneys for in-person hearings (I know this, because I recently helped AIC find such an attorney for an appearance in Southern California).

I reiterate that for these Master Hearing remote appearances, I was not paid additionally beyond the \$500 monthly payment. I did not receive any fees from AIC clients, and I have never shared client fees with AIC. I viewed such Master Hearing appearances as a courtesy, to a detained person who speaks little to no English and whose Master Hearing is on an expedited calendar. At these Master Hearings, my role is limited to confirming the detainee's status as undocumented, discussing possible venue for future hearings (based on whether and where the detainee might have family in the U.S.), and other procedural matters, only. I made clear to AIC staff my appearance would be limited to the Master Hearing, and AIC has no authorization to contract with clients using my name, without any exception. Further, any attempt by AIC to bill these clients for my services would be entirely without my authorization or knowledge. I genuinely viewed such remote appearances, which again did not involve any compensation, as a compassionate gesture to a person who is detained in an unfamiliar country. Note that Claimant Zhu was not one of these Master Hearing detainees. I have no interaction with Zhu whatsoever.

To confirm what should be obvious, I have cut all association with AIC (see **Exhibit F**). Frankly, I am incensed that AIC's billing practice resulted in your investigation into my practice. I inform you that upon contacting AIC after receiving your investigation email, AIC initially promised to submit a declaration on my behalf, confirming that any signature on any document related to Claimant Zhu is not my signature. However, as of the date of this response to you, AIC is now not communicative. Initially, AIC agreed to provide Claimant Zhu's file to me so that I could then provide it to you, but I have not received any such files.

At risk of repetition, given the seriousness of this matter, I summarize as follows:

1. Part of my practice involves serving as outside, research/advice contract attorney to small companies, previously including AIC.

¹ I respectfully inform you that after I received your investigation email on Sept. 19, 2024, I nonetheless appeared via Zoom for a Master Hearing on Monday, Sept. 23, 2024. I was, and remain, furious at AIC for its misconduct. But, I had agreed to appear for the Master Hearing (only), for a detained person. It would be unfair to that detainee for me to not appear, as the detainee is an innocent third party.

2. For these monthly clients, I am paid a flat fee for future services. I do not track time, because my fee does not depend on the number of hours worked in any particular month. This is a mutually beneficial relationship that has benefitted both myself and several clients over the past several years. I never authorized AIC, nor any other client, to use my signature to represent individuals without my knowledge or to engage in any unauthorized work on behalf of individuals without my consent.
3. These companies are not authorized to use my name or my law license to contract with any clients.
4. I have never split or shared fees with any these monthly clients, or with any other person/entity.
5. I acknowledge having appeared, without any additional compensation, for a small number of AIC's clients at remote Master Hearings. I viewed this as a courtesy to a detained person, and I made clear to AIC my appearance would be one-time, for the Master Hearing.

I hope the above provides detailed insight to you. Of course, if I can provide further information, please contact me. I will answer your twelve emailed questions on the following page.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jimmy Hu". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Jimmy" and the last name "Hu" written in a connected style.

Jimmy Hu

Responses to Questions

1. *Please provide a complete copy of the client's files including but not limited to documents prepared/submitted, the fee agreement, etc.*

I do not have any such files. I have never communicated with Claimant Zhu, in any manner. I do know him/her, nor do I know anything about him/her. He/she is not my client.

2. *Provide a complete copy of records of communication between the law office and Zhu, and/or the clients including but not limited to text messages, emails, phone and meeting memos, etc.*

I have no such records. AIC must have communications with Claimant Zhu (which I did request, but AIC did not provide), but I do not as I have never communicated with Zhu. I also do not have any communications with AIC concerning Claimant Zhu.

3. *Please provide a thorough explanation of what work was to be performed and what legal strategy was to be used.*

Not applicable to me, because Claimant Zhu is not my client. I do not know anything about his/her background, immigration status/legal defenses, etc. I have no idea why Zhu is in the U.S., how he/she arrived, etc.

4. *Provide a thorough explanation of what work was performed.*

I provided no work for Claimant Zhu's case. I have no idea what AIC did, or did not do, for Zhu.

5. *What is the current status of the case?*

I do not know the current status of his/her case. I do not know Claimant Zhu or anything about his/her situation.

6. *When representation was terminated, were client files, unearned fees, and/or an accounting provided to the client?*

Not applicable to me, because I never represented Claimant Zhu in any capacity. I do not have a single file, document, record, communication, or anything else for Zhu.

7. *Were client funds deposited into a client trust account? If they were not, please explain why. Please provide proof including client trust account records.*

I did not receive any funds from Claimant Zhu, as he/she is not my client.

8. *Did you have malpractice insurance at the time the contract was signed? If you did, please provide proof. If you did not, did you inform the client?*

I have malpractice insurance covering my solo practice (refer to **Exhibit D**). I did not contract with Claimant Zhu, nor represent him/her in any capacity.

9. *Did the clients sign the contract? If they did, when was it signed? How was it signed?*

I have no idea what sort of contract, if any, Claimant Zhu may have signed with AIC. I was not party to any contract with Zhu.

10. *Respond to the allegation that you charged the client for the initial consultation. Provide proof of the hours you consulted with the client.*

I have not charged Claimant Zhu anything, or even met/communicated with him/her. There was no initial, or any, consultation with me.

11. *Respond to the allegation that you falsified the line item "Time contacted with ERO/ICE" for 7 hours. Please provide proof of the 7 hours of communication with ERO/ICE.*

I did not falsify anything. I did not draft that line item. Any signature on any document related to Claimant Zhu is not my signature.

12. *Provide any proof that helps support your response.*

This response letter, the responses to your questions, and supporting exhibits are respectfully submitted.

The above responses are provided under penalty of perjury, under California law.

Date: October 3, 2024

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jimmy Hu". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jimmy Hu

From: jdhujdhu@gmail.com
To: [Le, Don](#)
Subject: Re: State Bar Case Number 24-O-19762
Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2024 8:03:13 AM
Attachments: [AIC SOS information.pdf](#)

Good morning,

I previously sent the attached corporation info from SOS, but doing so again just so you have AIC's address and owner/agent information.

Wendy Dong, aka Christine Dunn, is the owner agent. Her email address is:

wendy@americanic.us

Her employee, and the person I believe signed my name without authorization, is **Joe Yang**, email below:

consultant@americanic.us

As noted in my response letter, Wendy initially offered to submit a declaration by Joe, explaining that the signature in question is not mine, and was signed without my authorization. Wendy also offered to provide the Claimant's case files.

However, they are now closing ranks so to speak. When I last spoke with Wendy a few weeks ago, she merely wished me "good luck" in your investigation, and it was clear AIC is now in self-protection mode.

I have cell phone numbers for both, but I do not have authorization to share them with your office. That said, given AIC's lack of cooperation, if you insist on those phone numbers, I would strongly consider providing them to you.

Thank you.

Jimmy

On Tue, Nov 5, 2024 at 3:55 PM Le, Don <Don.Le@calbar.ca.gov> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

We are asking to see who is running the business in California. If you allege they used your name without permission, we are attempting to know which individuals may have done so. Thank you.

From: jdhujdhu@gmail.com <jdhujdhu@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2024 11:13 AM
To: Le, Don <Don.Le@calbar.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: State Bar Case Number 24-O-19762

Hi Don,

Following up on above response to your email. I have every intention of continuing to cooperate with your investigation. However, I did not understand your question about "individuals you contracted with."

Thank you.

Jimmy

On Sun, Nov 3, 2024 at 2:40 PM <jdhujdhu@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Don,

The name of AIC's owner is Wendy Dong, although I know she has also used the name Christine Dunn. Wendy is from China; some Chinese immigrants adopt Anglo names to seem more American, try and avoid prejudice, etc. Her email is:

wendy@americanic.us

She and I mostly used the LINE app for communication, because it allows for voice messaging (Wendy's English is poor).

As for your second question, please clarify. Are you asking for any agreement between me and AIC, or asking about any contracts I may have had with AIC clients? If the latter, there are no such contracts, as I never entered into any (and I was not compensated by any AIC clients directly or indirectly, as I explained in my response letter).

Jimmy

On Fri, Nov 1, 2024 at 4:46 PM Le, Don <Don.Le@calbar.ca.gov> wrote:

Good Afternoon Mr. Hu,

Can you provide the name of the owner/managing partner of the American Immigration Center (AIC)? Please also provide any names of individuals who you contracted with when dealing with AIC. Thank you.

Don Le (he/him/his)

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From: Le, Don

Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 3:15 PM

To: jdhujdhu@gmail.com

Cc: Owosekun, Jola <Jola.Owosekun@calbar.ca.gov>

Subject: RE: State Bar Case Number 24-O-19762

Thank you for the response. I am reviewing the response and will get back to you as soon as I can. All State Bar matters are confidential until they are filed in State Bar

court. Given that, I cannot release any copies of our files.

From: jdhujdhu@gmail.com <jdhujdhu@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 3, 2024 1:02 PM
To: Le, Don <Don.Le@calbar.ca.gov>
Cc: Owosekun, Jola <Jola.Owosekun@calbar.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: State Bar Case Number 24-O-19762

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Don,

Response letter and supporting exhibits attached.

Jimy Hu

24-O-19762

On Thu, Sep 19, 2024 at 4:44 PM <jdhujdhu@gmail.com> wrote:

Don,

I hope you don't mind first name basis. I have never been subject to bar investigation, and although I will have plenty of time to respond in substance, I categorically deny all the claims and in fact, have never heard of the claimant.

May I get a copy of your files? I ask in part because you reference a letter from me, but again I do not know who the claimant is, I have no files/records on my computer for him/her, etc.

I would like to see a copy of whatever invoice, letter, etc. that supposedly has my name attached.

Jimmy Hu

916-716-0376

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1 **DECLARATION OF XIANG BAUER (formerly, Xiang Li)**

2 I, Xiana Bauer, hereby declare and state the following:

3 1. The facts stated herein are based on my personal knowledge, except for those
4 stated to be under information and belief.

5 2. I am over the age of 18 and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth in
6 this declaration and, if called upon, I could competently testify to the information set forth
7 below.

8 3. I am making this declaration in support of the State Bar's application pursuant to
9 Business and Professions Code section 6126.3.

10 4. On May 30, 2024, my mother, Xiuying Zhu and I hired American Immigration
11 Center Corporation (hereinafter "AIC") for legal representation in an immigration matter,
12 specifically, AIC agreed to apply for parole for our friends, Jiahui Zhu and Bingrui Li, who
13 were detained in Adam County Detention Center, 20 Hobo Ford Road, Natchez, MS 39120.

14 5. When we hired AIC, we believed that we were hiring a law firm based on the
15 retainer agreement signed and our discussion with Jane Jiang (hereinafter, "Ms. Jiang"), a
16 consultant for AIC.

17 6. When we asked Ms. Jiang whether an active licensed attorney would be working
18 on our case, she stated that California Attorney, Jimmy Hu (SBN 286943) would be the attorney
19 handling our case and provided us with his information via text.

20 7. On May 30, 2024, we paid AIC \$6,000 for the legal representation.

21 8. Due to dissatisfaction with AIC's services and misrepresentations, on June 27,
22 2024, we notified AIC through the WeChat app that we wished to terminate their services and
23 request a refund of fees paid.

24 9. On July 8, 2024, AIC sent us a letter acknowledging receipt of the termination
25 notification, providing a detailed description of the work they claimed that they completed on
26 the case, and provided an invoice requesting an additional \$1,500. The letter was printed on
27 AIC's letterhead with the typed name of Jimmy Hu on the signature block stating, "Attorney of
28 Law, American Immigration Center, 626-270-0909."

1 10. On July 8, 2024, we notified Ms. Jiang that we wished to dispute their fees via fee
2 arbitration, but they ignored our requests.

3 11. On July 16, 2024, we filed a complaint with the State Bar against AIC. We later
4 learned that a State Bar complaint was opened against Attorney Hu.

5 12. In November 2024, we spoke with Mr. Hu, who denied being involved in our case
6 and denied ever receiving any funds from the legal fees paid. Mr. Hu informed us that he
7 attempted to get AIC to refund us the fees paid, but no refund was ever issued. The State Bar
8 complaint against Attorney Hu was ultimately closed.

9 13. On November 21, 2024, we again sent Ms. Jiang a written request for a refund of
10 fees, advising that we would pursue any available legal remedies to recover our money if she
11 and/or AIC did not refund our money. We did not receive a response, nor did we receive a
12 refund.

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14 I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
15 is true and correct.

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17 Executed this 28 day of August 2026 at Livermore, California.

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20 Xiang Bauer
21 Declarant
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