

## EB-1A I-140 Approvals in October 2010

This report includes four (4) EB-1A cases filed by Liu & Associates and approved by the USCIS in October 2010. In the past few months, USCIS adjudication of I-140 cases has been significantly slowing down. As a result, we had fewer I-140 cases approved in October than in a regular month. Also, as a result, a large number of I-140 cases have been pending over four (4) months, the USCIS posted processing time for I-140 petitions. Recently we have received numerous inquiries in regard to the USCIS Interim Memorandum following Kazarian and whether USCIS has raised the bar for EB-1A petitions. So far, we have not seen a clear trend of change or USCIS policy shift regarding EB-1A adjudication.

Here we list the basic credentials of each approved case and hope our readers find the information helpful. For confidentiality purpose, a numeric number is assigned to replace the petitioner/beneficiary's name in each case. It is our firm's policy to hold client's Information strictly confidential.

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### Case # 1

Case Type:	Eb-1A I-140
Field of Research:	Computer Science
Current Position:	Research associate at a university
Major Credentials:	Ph.D. from a US university Published 50+ journal and conference papers Consistently invited to review the works Cited approximately 490+ times by other worldwide
Supporting Letters:	6 including 1 independent experts
Filing Date:	June 2, 2010
Approval Date:	October 29, 2010

### Case # 2

Case Type:	Eb-1A I-140
Field of Research:	Computer Engineering
Current Position:	Senior software engineer at a technology company
Major Credentials:	Ph.D. from a US university Published 10 journal and conference papers Consistently invited to review the works of others Cited approximately 90+ times by other researchers worldwide
Supporting Letters:	6 including 4 independent experts
Filing Date:	September 1, 2010
Approval Date:	October 19, 2010

### Case # 3

Case Type: Eb-1A I-140  
Field of Research: Geochemistry  
Current Position: Research fellow at a state university  
Major Credentials: Ph.D. from a US university  
Published 20+ journal papers  
Invited to review the works of others 10+ times  
Cited approximately 300+ times by other researchers worldwide  
Supporting Letters: 6 including 3 independent experts  
Filing Date: March 18, 2010  
Approval Date: October 13, 2010

#### **Case # 4**

Case Type: Eb-1A I-140  
Field of Research: Chemical Engineering  
Current Position: Assistant professor at a state university  
Major Credentials: Ph.D. from a US university  
Published 30+ journal papers  
Consistently invited to review the works of others  
Cited approximately 430 times by other researchers  
Supporting Letters: 6 including 4 independent experts  
Filing Date: May 17, 2010  
Approval Date: October 27, 2010

For more approved cases, please see <http://www.niwus.com/Approvals.html>.