

## Non-Precedent Decision of the Administrative Appeals Office

In Re: 8853814 Date: JULY 22, 2020

Appeal of Vermont Service Center Decision

Form I-129, Petition for Nonimmigrant Worker (H-1B)

The Petitioner seeks to temporarily employ the Beneficiary under the H-1B nonimmigrant classification for specialty occupations. *See* Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act) section 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b), 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b). The H-1B program allows a U.S. employer to temporarily employ a qualified foreign worker in a position that requires both: (a) the theoretical and practical application of a body of highly specialized knowledge; and (b) the attainment of a bachelor's or higher degree in the specific specialty (or its equivalent) as a minimum prerequisite for entry into the position.

The Director of the Vermont Service Center denied the petition, concluding that the record did not establish that the proffered position qualifies as a specialty occupation. On appeal, the Petitioner asserts the Director erred in her decision.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records indicate that subsequent to filing the appeal, the Beneficiary became a lawful permanent resident of the United States. Therefore, further pursuit of the matter at hand is moot.

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed.