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Newsletter - December 2015

End of the Year Celebration

 **December 7, 2015 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**
Chama Gaucha Steakhouse
5865, Westheimer Rd, Houston, Tx 77057



United States and Brazil Partner on Improved Patent Processing

The U.S. Department of Commerce's United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) and Brazil's National Institute for Industrial Property (INPI) agreed to establish a Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) pilot program. The pilot program will reduce patent workloads and further improve patent quality.

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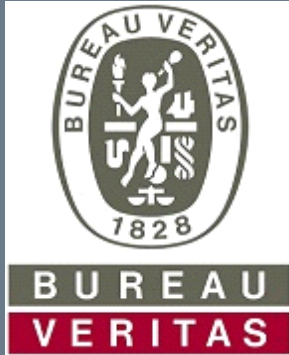
The Office of Brasil@Rice has been awarded by the National Association of International Educators for its initiatives in increasing research and academic collaborations with Brazil, of which student mobility and professional training is a key factor.

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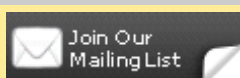


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WEG will provide Windmills for a wind farm in the North of Brazil

WEG signed a contract to supply wind turbines for the Wind Farm St. Ignatius, Aliança, to be installed in Icapuí, Ceará - Brazil

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EU, Brazil seek WTO deal to ban agricultural export subsidies

The European Union, Brazil and four other countries are proposing the World Trade Organization agree an end to agricultural export subsidies.

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Giron Kirby Law Group Presents...

US IMMIGRATION SEMINAR: EMPLOYMENT BASED PERMANENT RESIDENCY

AGENDA

Presentation will include answering your immigration questions regarding the subject matter as well as an overview of the permanent residency process and preference categories, including:

- EB-1 Extraordinary Ability category requirements
- EB-12 Outstanding Professor or Researcher category requirements
- EB-2 National Interest Waiver category requirements
- Step-by-step PERM Labor Certification Procedures
- Immigrant Visa Petition (I-140)
- Priority Dates
- Adjustment of Status Applications (I-485)
- Strategies for Visa Retrogression
- Visa Bulletin Priority Dates and New "Filing Dates"

SPEAKER

Sophia Johnykutty
Attorney
Giron Kirby Law Group

EVENT DETAILS

WHERE:
Norris WestChase Conference Center
9990 Richmond Ave. Ste 102 Houston, TX 77042

WHEN:
Saturday, December 12, 2015
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM (CST)

COST:
The seminar is complimentary.

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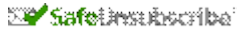
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Andreia Caroni
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