

THE NATIONAL IMMIGRATION LAW CENTER
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VIRGINIA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
OFFICE OF NEWCOMER SERVICES, VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
VIRGINIA POVERTY LAW CENTER
VIRGINIA STATE BAR

present a training on

**NEWCOMERS' RIGHTS TO
PUBLIC BENEFITS**

Tuesday, May 11, 1993 - 9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Virginia Council of Churches
1214 W. Graham Road
Richmond, Virginia
(804) 321-3300

Each year Virginia absorbs tens of thousands of newcomers--immigrants, refugees, legalized and undocumented aliens. Advocates advising this diverse population find that even the most common public benefits problems take on a new complexity. Can Maria get prenatal care if she has amnesty? If her husband has left, will receiving AFDC for the children jeopardize her legal status? When does Nguyen's eligibility for refugee assistance programs begin and end?

Gain confidence in your ability to answer these and other public benefits issues facing the rapidly growing newcomer population in Virginia. Designed for attorneys, paralegals, and other advocates in legal aid and non-profit agencies serving the foreign-born, the training will be conducted by Charles Wheeler and Karen Miksch of the National Immigration Law Center. All participants will receive NILC's 1992 *Guide to Alien Eligibility for Federal Programs*.

Morning session: registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with refreshments.

- Overview of immigration terms and classifications
- Ways to obtain lawful immigration status
- Alien eligibility for federal benefit programs and public charge consequences
- Domestic relations and family law issues, including the effect of divorce or separation

Afternoon session

- Forum on state and local issues: a panel presentation on Virginia programs and eligibility requirements, issues of special concern to refugees, programs for migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their families.

Registration form enclosed. For more information, please call Anna Kim at (804) 692-1232. Pre-registrants will receive map and agenda for the training.

IMMIGRANTS' RIGHTS TO PUBLIC BENEFITS
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA -- TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1993
9:00 a.m. -- 4:00 p.m.
REGISTRATION FORM

NAME(S) _____
FIRM/ AGENCY: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ ZIP CODE _____
PHONE: () _____

ATTORNEYS AND ADVOCATES WITH NONPROFIT OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

Please indicate the services your organization provides. Check all that apply.

- Legal representation
 - Employment related
 - Education
 - Health Care
 - Other (Describe below)
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Please mail or FAX your registration form, at least two weeks before the training to:

Alma Atkins, Immigrants' Rights Training
Office of Newcomer Services
VA Department of Social Services
730 E. Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219-1849 FAX (804) 692-2215

For more information, please call Alma Atkins at (804) 692-2218.

I cannot attend the training, but:

I wish to order the *Guide to Alien Eligibility for Federal Programs* (72 pp., 1992). Enclosed is my check for \$5.00.

Please make checks payable to *National Immigration Law Center* and send to:

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