

Immigration Alert

Effective September 12, 2014: New Fees for Some Nonimmigrant and Immigrant Visas

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The Department of State (DOS) has revised certain nonimmigrant and immigrant visa fees. DOS has adjusted the visa fees in the following categories:

1. E visas – treaty/trader and Australian specialty occupation visas *decreased* to \$205 (from \$270).
2. K visas – Fiancé(e) or Spouse of U.S. citizen category visa *increased* to \$265.
3. Immigrant visa application processing fee based on an approved I-130 Immediate Relative of Family Preference petition *increased* to \$325.
4. Immigrant visa processing fee based on an approved I-140 employment-based petition *decreased* to \$345 (from \$405).

As detailed [on the DOS website](#), the following procedures apply:

1. DOS will not refund the difference for fees that have been lowered.
2. If you are applying for a category where the fee has been raised and you have already paid the fee, you are *not* required to pay the difference between the amount you paid and the new fee as long as your appointment is *on or before December 11, 2014*.
3. If you are applying for a category where the fee has been raised, you *are required* to pay the difference between the amount you paid and the new fee if your appointment is *on or after December 12, 2014*.

Should you have any questions regarding your pending or upcoming visa application, please [contact your Mintz Levin attorney](#).



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