

August 2016 Immigration Fraud Reading List

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Fraud and Abuse Prevention Program*

Fraud against Immigrants, Including the Unauthorized Practice of Law (UPL):

August 14, 2016 - Advocate on trial in Va. for allegedly defrauding undocumented immigrants (Alexandria, VA)

https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/virginia-politics/advocate-on-trial-in-va-for-allegedly-defrauding-undocumented-immigrants/2016/08/14/c97d3274-5f25-11e6-af8e-54aa2e849447_story.html

August 10, 2016 - Southern California man pleads guilty to owning fake law firms that promised to help struggling homeowners (Santa Ana, CA)

<http://imperialvalleynews.com/index.php/news/california-news/10445-southern-california-man-pleads-guilty-to-owning-fake-law-firms-that-promised-to-help-struggling-homeowners.html>

August 09, 2016 - Illegal kickbacks for foreign farm workers in Minnesota bring a federal fraud conviction (Minneapolis, MN)

<http://www.startribune.com/illegal-kickbacks-for-foreign-farm-workers-in-minnesota-bring-a-federal-fraud-conviction/389638341/>

July 22, 2016 - Miami psychiatrist, sent to prison for 12 years, must repay \$50 million (Miami, FL)

<http://www.miamiherald.com/news/health-care/article91393077.html>

Facilitators of Immigration Fraud:

August 10, 2016 - Cuban woman accused of marriage fraud with at least 10 'husbands' (Bradenton, FL)

<http://www.bradenton.com/news/state/florida/article94781032.html>

July 25, 2016 - Family runs sham marriage business; It's jail time! (Los Angeles, CA)

<http://mynews1a.com/orange-county/2016/07/25/family-runs-sham-marriage-business-its-jail-time/>

Fraud by Individuals (or Businesses) for Their Own Benefit:

August 11, 2016 - Three individuals convicted at trial in marriage fraud conspiracy (Miami, FL)
<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdfl/pr/three-individuals-convicted-trial-marriage-fraud-conspiracy>

August 09, 2016 - Plea talks delay federal trial for Ukrainian man who posed as Harrisburg High student (Harrisburg, PA)
http://www.pennlive.com/news/2016/08/plea_talks_delay_federal_trial.html

August 03, 2016 - Boston taxi tycoon charged with federal crimes (Boston, MA)
<https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/massachusetts/2016/08/02/taxi/SYm18LhrsRdZ9nypJtga5L/story.html>

July 29, 2016 – Convicted bomber Rasmae Odeh opposes mental examination in immigration fraud case (Detroit, MI)
<http://legalinsurrection.com/2016/07/convicted-bomber-rasmae-odeh-opposes-mental-examination-in-immigration-fraud-case/>

July 27, 2016 - Man who killed Jose Martinez in 1986 Washington Heights shooting convicted of immigration fraud (Miami, FL)
<http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/nyc-crime/1986-washington-heights-shooter-convicted-immigration-fraud-article-1.2728835>

July 23, 2016 - 9 sentenced in Ohio marriage fraud scheme (Columbus, OH)
<http://immigrationlegalblog.com/2016/07/9-sentenced-in-ohio-marriage-fraud-scheme/>

July 20, 2016 - Judge sentences previously deported Mexican national for passport fraud (Sacramento, CA)
<http://fox40.com/2016/07/20/judge-sentences-previously-deported-mexican-national-for-passport-fraud/>

July 13, 2016 - Two citizens of India sentenced for marriage and immigration fraud (Albany, NY)
<https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndny/pr/two-citizens-india-sentenced-marriage-and-immigration-fraud>

Related Matters:

July 14, 2016 - Officials warn immigrant communities of scams (Detroit, MI)
http://www.arabamericannews.com/news/news/id_12578/Officials-warn-immigrant-communities-of-scams.html

Attorney Discipline:

- August 15, 2016 - List of Currently Disciplined Practitioners

<http://www.justice.gov/eoir/discipline.htm>

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