



OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES INNOVATION
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Sandbox Authorization Packet

Visa Finder Immigration LLC

April 10, 2023

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In the Supreme Court of the State of Utah

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In re: Application of Visa Finder Immigration LLC

ORDER FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE LAW IN UTAH

Based upon the Utah Supreme Court's plenary and constitutionally granted authority to regulate the practice of law in Utah, and the tenets of Standing Order 15, the Utah Supreme Court orders that Visa Finder Immigration LLC ("Visa Finder") is authorized to practice law in Utah within the regulatory sandbox and subject to the restrictions outlined below.

The Court has reviewed the recommendation of the Office of Legal Services Innovation ("Innovation Office") dated April 6, 2023 for Visa Finder to be authorized to practice law in Utah as an ABS.

Visa Finder Immigration is owned by a non-lawyer with an LLM and extensive experience in immigration law. It is seeking to hire an immigration attorney to assist Hispanic communities, in their primary language, apply for the appropriate visa. All legal services will be provided by a licensed lawyer.

The Innovation Office has assessed Visa Finder's proposed entity structure, service methods, and legal areas, and has determined that Visa Finder is a Low Innovation entity and that the risk of harm to its targeted consumers, relative to the risk of harm they currently face, is acceptable for authorization.

In light of the Court's responsibility to the public to effectively regulate the practice of law in Utah and in keeping with the tenets of Standing Order 15, the Court now orders as follows:

1. Visa Finder is authorized to offer legal services through the following service **methods:**
 - a. ABS
 - i. Lawyers employed or managed by nonlawyer(s)
 - ii. Nonlawyer ownership (50% or more)

2. Visa Finder is authorized to provide legal services across the following legal **areas**:
 - a. Key legal areas: Immigration
3. No Rules of Professional Conduct are **waived** as none were requested.
4. Visa Finder shall conform to the Low Innovation reporting requirements imposed by the Innovation Office.
5. Visa Finder shall prominently display the following disclosure requirements:
 - a. Innovation Office Badge
 - b. Nonlawyer ownership disclosure
6. This authorization is granted for the duration of the existence of the Sandbox, or until exit and permanent licensure at the discretion of the Court.
7. All managers and owners are hereby ordered to:
 - a. Act in good faith to further a client's best interests.
 - b. Not allow economic or other conflicts of interests to adversely affect the legal services rendered to a client.
 - c. Ensure that legal services are delivered with reasonable diligence and promptness.
 - d. Not reveal confidential information pertaining to the representation of a client without the client's consent or as allowed or required by law.
 - e. Not engage in or allow any activity that misleads or attempts to mislead a client, a court, or others.
 - f. Not take any action or engage in activity that interferes with the professional independence of lawyers or others authorized to provide legal services.
 - g. Develop systems and processes within the entity applicant to ensure that each of the above duties are met and satisfied.
 - h. Complete a one-hour ethics training approved by the LSI Committee that explains these obligations.
8. Authorization is subject to Visa Finder's compliance with the conditions and requirements set forth in the Innovation Office Manual and the Innovation Office Recommendation to the Court and to a verification by the Innovation Office that the company's services are not causing material harm to consumers.
9. This authorization does not relieve Visa Finder, its employees, or any associated lawyer from compliance with applicable state and federal laws and any rules of another state or other governing body. Visa Finder is responsible for assuring that it is in compliance with the laws and rules of any other affected jurisdiction.

If Visa Finder wishes to alter these conditions or requirements, it must submit any such change to the Innovation Office for further assessment. The Innovation Office

will assess the proposed change and may permit the change if it deems the change does not materially increase the risks to consumers. If the Innovation Office finds a material increase in risk, then it will present the issue to the Court for further consideration.

DATED this 10 day of April, 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. B. Durrant', is written over a horizontal line.

Matthew B. Durrant
Chief Justice

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Recommendation to the Court

VISA FINDER IMMIGRATION LLC - NO. 94

April 6, 2023

Recommendation: Authorize ABS

SUMMARY

Visa Finder Immigration is owned by a non-lawyer with an LLM and extensive experience in immigration law. It is seeking to hire a Utah immigration attorney to assist Hispanic communities in their primary language. The non-lawyer LLM understands the culture, the legal pitfalls, and the confusion that is prevalent among consumers who often don't seek any legal assistance and don't understand which visa is appropriate for their situation.

Innovation Assessment: Visa Finder Immigration intends to serve Utah's underserved latino community with immigration visa services. Ms. Sa Barison, as a member of the community, will assist consumers in their native language to find legal help and navigate the process in culturally sensitive ways.

ENTITY MEMBERS	PRECEDENT
<p>Owners: Viviane Sa Barison Managers: Viviane Sa Barison Providers: Utah immigration attorney</p>	<p>Same Service Method & Innovation Level: Alternative Business Structure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gov Assist, • My Immigration, • Boundless, • Immigration Office Solutions
ENTITY/SERVICE METHOD(S)	LEGAL AREAS

<p>ABS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lawyers employed or managed by nonlawyer(s) ● Nonlawyer ownership (50% or more) 	<p>Key:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Immigration
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<p>INNOVATION LEVEL REQUIREMENTS</p>	<p>CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION</p>
<p>Low</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Every 3 Month(s) Data reporting ● Badge ● Nonlawyer ownership disclosure 	<p>All Managers and Owners must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Act in good faith to further a client’s best interests. ● Not allow economic or other conflicts of interests to adversely affect the legal services rendered to a client. ● Ensure that legal services are delivered with reasonable diligence and promptness. ● Not reveal confidential information pertaining to the representation of a client without the client’s consent or as allowed or required by law. ● Not engage in or allow any activity that misleads or attempts to mislead a client, a court, or others. ● Not take any action or engage in activity that interferes with the professional independence of lawyers or others authorized to provide legal services. ● Develop systems and processes within the entity applicant to ensure that each of the above duties are met and satisfied. ● Complete a one-hour ethics training.

