

ZHANG & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
U.S. IMMIGRATION ATTORNEYS & COUNSELORS

ATTORNEY-CLIENT AGREEMENT

This ATTORNEY-CLIENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered into by and between
_____ (Client) and ZHANG & ASSOCIATES, P.C. (Attorney).

1. **SCOPE AND DUTIES:** Client retains Attorney to provide legal services in connection with the filing of an original investor immigration petition under the Employment-based 5th Preference (Immigrant Investor) through a Regional Center Pilot Program in the case that Client has already chosen the Regional Center. Under this contract Attorney will be responsible for guiding Client through the investment/immigration process, preparing and filing the I-526 immigration petition, I-485 and assisting Clients in applying for immigrant visa from US Consulate overseas if Client chooses to apply for visa overseas. Attorney is not retained for any service with respect to recommending a Regional or feasibility research regarding the chosen Regional Center. This Agreement does not obligate Attorney to provide services in connection with any appeal to any administrative board or any judicial court or any interview to USCIS' local office or US Consulate abroad.

Attorney has expressly informed the Client and Client hereby confirms that the Attorney is not a business or financial advisor, and will not offer any advices or opinions regarding choosing of EB-5 projects. However, Attorney will help Client to gather related EB-5 project information for Client's decision making.

2. **GUARANTEE OF PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE:** Attorney agrees to use due diligence in furthering Client's best interests under the laws. Attorney is liable to Client for Attorney's negligence or incompetence. However, Attorney makes no guarantee of the outcome of the case.
3. **LEGAL FEES:** The total attorney fees for I-526, I-485 immigration petition and Consular Processing are Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000). Client agrees to pay the attorney fees in three installments as follows: 1) Upon the execution of the Agreement, Client must pay the first installment of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to Attorney as initial retainer fee. 2) Once USCIS approves the I-526 petition, Client must immediately pay the second installment, an approval fee of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to Attorney. And 3) The third installment of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) is due upfront when Client retains Attorney for Consular Processing. (If a family member does not file at the same time, an independent agreement is required and this fee schedule does not apply.) This cover all legal fees, administration costs, consulting, coordinating, preparation and filing of the EB-5 green card process that Attorney may incur in this representation for Client, except as is otherwise provided herein.

4. **ADDITIONAL FEES:** Client is responsible for any out-of-pocket expenses (including, but not limited to, transportation, lodging, meal costs) if Attorney accompanies Client for visa interview or project visits.
5. **COSTS AND EXPENSES:** Attorney is authorized to incur reasonable costs and expenses regarding express international mailings to expedite the preparation of the I-526, I-485 petition, for which Client shall be responsible and payable to Attorney upon receipt of invoices from Attorney.
6. **WITHDRAWAL AND TERMINATION:**
 - a. In situations where the case is terminated before Attorney starts to gather and prepare the EB-5 investment/immigration projects information, the firm will charge a flat administration cost of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), in addition to Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) for each consultation via email or phone, and Four Hundred Dollars per hour (\$400/hour) for other services.
 - b. If Client withdraws the I-526 petition or terminates Attorney's representation at any time after Attorney has submitted the I-526 petition to USCIS, Attorney's representation regarding the petition is complete, and Client must immediately, without demand, pay Attorney the remaining balance due of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000).
7. **MODIFICATIONS:** Any modification of the Agreement must be in writing and signed by Client and Attorney.
8. **PRIOR AGREEMENTS:** This Agreement incorporates all prior agreements and understandings between Client and Attorney.
9. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Agreement shall become effective when both Attorney and Client sign it and upon Attorney's receipt of the fees as listed in clause 3 above.
10. **GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION:** This Agreement shall be governed and construed under the laws of the State of Texas. Client consents to the jurisdiction of the State of Texas and the venue of Harris County, Texas for any litigation regarding this Agreement.
11. **REFERRAL FEE DISCLOSURE: -- all referral fees from regional center will be forwarded to client:** Some EB-5 projects make offer attorney a sum of referral fees, payable to Attorney when Client received I-526 approval or Conditional Green Card. Client hereby expressly agrees that Client is signing this agreement with the assumption that such a referral fee exists and agrees the Attorney to accepts such a fee if offered by the EB-5 project. ATTORNEY has NO interest in receiving the referral fee and will forward the referral fee or agency fee in full to client. Client agrees that in any case that by law that the referral fee or agency fee needs to be returned to the EB-5 project, the Client will fully refund the fees to regional center per law or any judicial or administrative decision.

12. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** Attorney must not disclose any information regarding Client's immigration petition, Client's professional relationship with Attorney, or Client's personal and professional information to a third party without Client's permission

13. **FILING FEES:** Client agrees to pay all government filing fees to Zhang & Associates, P.C. at the time of filing, including, but not limited to:

I-526 Filing Fee: \$3,675

We usually do not accept filing fee payments via credit card except in extreme situations.

NOTE: All USCIS fees are subject to change without notice.

Client acknowledges that Client has fully read and understood Agreement. By signing Agreement, Client hereby agrees to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

Client Contact Information

Client Name: _____

Client Day Time Phone Number: _____

Client Home Phone Number: _____

Client Email Address: _____

Client Alternative Email Address: _____

Client Signature: _____ Date: _____

Attorney Signature: _____ Date: _____

Credit Card Payment

For credit card payment form for attorney fee [click here](#).

Mail-in Payment

Please kindly make your check payable to Zhang & Associates, P.C., and mail it with a copy of the signed agreement to:

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