## A FREE TWO-DAY TRAINING ON NATURALIZATION AND CITIZENSHIP

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## A TWO-DAY TRAINING ON CITIZENSHIP TOPICS

When: March 19 and 20, 2012

Where: 25 W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, 5th Floor, Conference Room D, New York, NY 10011

NALEO, IDP, NYIC, ILRC, CLINIC and CUNY Citizenship Now! are co-sponsoring a two-day training on naturalization and citizenship in New York City. It is free for participating staff and legal volunteers from non-profit organizations working on naturalization and citizenship issues.

All participants will receive a free CD-ROM copy of the ILRC's best selling manual, *Naturalization and U.S. Citizenship: The Essential Legal Guide*. Space is limited!

**Day 1:** The first day of this training will include a review of the general requirements for naturalization including continuous residence, physical presence, good moral character, the English and Civics requirements, and the red flag issues that can cause an applicant to be denied or even deported. Additionally, we will review the various ways in which an absence from the United States can affect one's naturalization application, the best ways to complete the naturalization application (N-400), application procedures, and how to assist special groups of applicants through fee waivers, oath waivers, the 50/20 and 55/15 English exemptions, disability waivers, and securing accommodations for people with disabilities. We will also cover BIA accreditation and recognition procedures and requirements.

**Day 2:** The second day of the this training will cover some of the more complex aspects of immigration law, including advanced good moral character issues, how a criminal conviction can affect a naturalization application, and citizenship for children.

During the good moral character discussions during this two-day training, we will delve into the reasons why some naturalization applicants could be deportable, as well as how failure to register for the selective service, failure to pay child support, failure to file income taxes, and other issues can affect one's naturalization application. Additionally, we will review how different criminal convictions can affect one's naturalization application.

**Presenters include:** 

Tamara Bloom, Esq., CUNY Citizenship Now! Legal Coordinator Eric Cohen, ILRC Executive Director and Attorney Joshua Epstein, IDP Staff Attorney Julissa Gutierrez, NALEO Northeast Director of Civic Engagement Thomas J. Shea, NYIC Director of Training & Technical Assistance



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**Time:** Day 1: (March 19) 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Day 2: (March 20) 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Please note that registration both days will begin at 8:30 am.

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Fee: Free for staff of non-profit and private attorneys volunteering with a non-profit

Private Attorney Rate - Single Day \$150; Both Days - \$200

**Pre-registration** via fax or mail by **March 8, 2012** is necessary to ensure seminar materials.

CLE from the State Bar of New York will be granted \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

## **REGISTRATION:** TRAINING ON CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION

New York, New York, March 19 & 20, 2012

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