## H-1B Visa — 2016 Filing Season



Starting April 1, 2016, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will begin accepting H-1B visa petition filings — subject to the annual cap — for the next fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1, 2016, reports Constangy, Brooks, Smith & Prophete, LLP on its website.

The H-1B visa program allows U.S. employers to employ foreign workers temporarily in specialty occupations.

"To maximize client chances that their applications will be picked in this year's anticipated lottery, we strongly recommend that H-1B visa petitions that are subject to the cap be filed as close to April 1, 2016, as possible," **the firm advises**.

The article lists exceptions to the H-1B cap and alternatives to the H-1B.

Read the article.