

Immigration Services – Education Sector

Today in the UK, any organisation or person offering advice on immigration or immigration services must be regulated by the Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner (OISC). The only exceptions are where exemption is provided, such as to a firm of solicitors or to an individual solicitor.

CASE STUDIES

People Force International is proud that it is itself regulated by the OISC and so is able to provide comprehensive and highly expert advice on immigration issues, and related services. On the OISC website you will find confirmation of People Force International's regulated status, where our organisation is listed alongside the names of our individual advisers.

We have extensive, wide-ranging experience in providing immigration advice and related services, especially within the field of education, where our expertise on immigration matters, complemented by our sensitive and intelligence handling of what are often difficult and delicate cases, is in frequent demand.

We have helped schools, education trusts and individual teachers with a broad range of UK immigration needs, including for example help with gaining sponsorship licences and subsequent Tier 2 visa applications as well as assistance with arranging visas for family members who wish to accompany the teachers to the UK. We can also help when immigration options outside Tier 2 are considered to be more appropriate for the parties concerned.

Frequently our clients approach us because they have tried to get sponsorship licences and/or visas themselves but haven't been successful at doing so. Such clients consequently find themselves in need of timely and in some cases urgent help to maximise the likelihood that the applications are approved and that employment start dates can be achieved.

Case Study 1

We received a call from an administrator of a community school based in London. The administrator was in some distress and under great pressure. The school had made an offer of employment to a non-UK resident teacher and this offer had been accepted. The teacher was confident of being able to apply for a Tier 2 visa and was awaiting the required paperwork in order to do this. However, the school had been declined twice for a sponsorship licence and was quickly running out of time to have the teacher's immigration requirements arranged.

Using our experience and expertise, we took effective and tactful control of this difficult situation and within a very short space of time had secured the school the sponsorship licence and the certificate of sponsorship necessary for the teacher in question to make a successful visa application.

Case Study 2

We were contacted by a teacher who had been issued a certificate of sponsorship by her school and had returned home to Australia to apply for her Tier 2 visa. Unfortunately, she had been declined due to issues concerning the payment of an immigration health surcharge fee. The teacher was extremely stressed and in urgent need of expert help. We were able, within a short time-frame, to establish why her application had been declined and were able to fix the issue. We helped her resubmit an application. This was subsequently approved in time for her to return to the UK and start the new school year.

Testimonial 1

People Force International supported our organisation – a charity of seven state funded primary schools – in applying to be a Tier 2 sponsor. They expertly negotiated us through the complex process at all the key points and were always available at every stage. Our application was successful at the first time of trying and we were able to award a Certificate of Sponsorship to a teacher, who is now successfully employed in one of our schools.

We would thoroughly recommend People Force International's support for this process.

Mark Greatrex (Chief Executive, Bellevue Place Education Trust)

Testimonial 2

We had constantly put off the idea of sponsorship having looked at how difficult and bureaucratic it was to sponsor a teacher. People Force International, explained the process and the support that would be in place which encouraged us to go ahead.

Thanks to People Force International, we now have a sponsorship licence in place. They took the stress and worry away from a process that an individual school would find extremely difficult. Their knowledge and support was extremely valuable and we would have no problems in recommending the services of People Force International to other schools that are thinking of taking the same route.

Matthew Henshaw (Deputy Headteacher, Newlands Girls School)

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