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## Executive Office for Immigration Review Announces Webinar on the Recognition of Organizations and Accreditation of Non-Attorney Representatives

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – As part of the Executive Office for Immigration Review's (EOIR) continued effort to reach as many stakeholders as possible prior to the implementation of its final rule titled, *Recognition of Organizations and Accreditation of Non-Attorney Representatives*, agency representatives will deliver a presentation on the rule during a <u>webinar</u> on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017. This presentation will mirror the information provided during the December national stakeholder <u>meeting</u>, and follows the release of an <u>online training video</u>.

This <u>new rule</u>, effective Jan. 18, 2017, amends the regulations governing the requirements and procedures for authorizing representatives of non-profit religious, charitable, social service, or similar organizations to represent persons in proceedings before EOIR and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The purpose of the rule is to promote the effective and efficient administration of justice before EOIR and DHS by increasing the availability of competent, non-lawyer representation for low-income and indigent persons. The rule is also intended to reduce the likelihood that such persons become victims of fraud and abuse.

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