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## USCIS Begins Selecting H-1B Lottery Winners

**Legal Update**

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According to reports, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) experienced an unexpected decline in H-1B filings and therefore is selecting additional H-1B lottery winners. Some immigration attorneys say they are suddenly receiving email notifications from USCIS. The reports say that the selections are being made from previous H-1B submissions.

Those who applied for the H-1B lottery in the spring are being advised by practitioners to log in to their USCIS online accounts now to check status for new H-1B selections. Reportedly, the new notices say "August 2020 Selection of Reserve Registration" with a filing period of August 17, 2020, to November 16, 2020. Petitions must include a start date of October 1, 2020.

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