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JOB SHADOW INTERVIEW

1. How did you get started on this field?

A: I started on-the-job training to get me familiar with the aspects of the job. Now, I have been working with this organization for 13 years.

1. What is the most rewarding part of your job?

A: I mostly deal with immigration cases, and getting families back together. When I see the families reunite after they come to US, I feel accomplished.

1. Are there any necessary credentials for your line of work?

A: There are no necessary credentials; I was able to work at this job by filling out the necessary paperwork.

1. What is the most challenging part of your job?

A: Making the clients understand that there is proper documentation needed to bring family members to the US. Not a lot of clients are aware of this, so they need to be educated on the subject.

1. What inspired you to choose your career?

A: I saw that I had an ability to work well with people, and now I can educate them on how to bring their family here.

1. What qualities does a person need to possess to be in this type of position?

A: You have to be somebody that has patience, as you will be dealing with a lot of paperwork. Also, you need to do a lot of research so you have to have a good memory and be a good note-taker.

1. Do you work a lot of overtime?

A: I only work overtime if I am not finished with paperwork by my last appointment, which is at 4:00pm.

1. How does the economy affect your job?

My job is seasonal, because most of my clients are farm workers in this area.

1. How much flexibility do you have in terms of dress, hours of work, vacation, etc.?

A: My dress code is not too strict; however, I still have to dress professionally. As for hours of work, I work eight hours every work day. Vacation time is pretty flexible, so I can request it as long as I put a notice in.

10.)How has your career affected your life?

A: I have become very dedicated to my job, because I can’t mess up a case. Every case has to be taken very seriously.