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A Message from the Partners

Federal Judge in San Francisco Extends Temporary Restraining Order Preventing Immigration Authorities from Issuing No-Match Letters for 10 days.

On Monday Oct. 1, 2007, federal judge Charles Breyer heard oral arguments in the legal challenge to the new Social Security Administration and Department of Homeland Security rules regarding No-Match letters formally known as "Safe-Harbor Procedures for Employers Who Receive a No-Match Letter" published in August of 2007. After a lengthy hearing, Judge Breyer extended the temporary restraining order and said he would issue a final ruling within 10 days.

The new rules would require businesses to sort out any Social Security No-matches within 90 days of being notified by the government or to fire the employee involved. If an employer failed to follow the new regulations, they could face fines and possible prosecution for knowingly hiring undocumented workers.

We will update you as soon as the Court makes its ruling.

Kyle Kring

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