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Does your nonprofit know its responsibilities with respect to employment eligibility verification? The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 requires that the employer verify the identity and work eligibility of all newly-hired employees. The Form I-9 is provided by the federal government for that purpose. Every employee must complete a Form I-9 when the individual is hired, with the new Form I-9 effective this May. The government also provides a voluntary employee eligibility system called E-Verify that US employers should be familiar with.

But how does a nonprofit comply? What are the deadlines for completing the Form I-9? What proof of identification is acceptable? What happens if the employee does not provide the needed documentation on time? Can the employer take too much documentation? How do you know if a document is valid? Is the employer responsible if the form is not filled in correctly, and can an employer be held legally responsible if it refuses to hire an immigrant in order to avoid problems with the Form I-9?

This webinar will answer all of these questions and more. The webinar is designed for executive directors, human resources staff and anyone else responsible for the administration of the nonprofit.

The webinar will be held Monday, June 17, 2013 at 12 noon Eastern Time and last approximately 60 minutes.

The webinar is free of charge

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## **Speaker Bios**

Dawn M. Lurie is a partner in Sheppard Mullin's Labor and Employment practice group and leader of the firm's Business Immigration and Compliance practice. Ms. Lurie has over 20 years of experience advising on U.S. and global immigration and is ranked as a leading business immigration lawyer by Chambers, Legal 500, Best Lawyers, Who's Who Legal, and other publications. She regularly speaks and writes about immigration compliance matters. Ms. Lurie advises domestic corporations on a variety of compliance-related issues, particularly related to Form I-9 alien employment verification matters. She has been involved in audits and internal investigations and has successfully minimized monetary exposure as well as civil and criminal liabilities on behalf of her clients. Ms. Lurie advises multinational companies in a variety of sectors including manufacturing, IT, defense, food processing, retail and service industries, pharmaceutical, healthcare, and multimedia. Her daily practice consists of managing business immigration matters and providing immigration counsel to address the visa and work authorization needs of U.S. personnel including professionals, managers and executives, essential workers, persons of extraordinary ability, corporate trainees, and students.

Ms. Lurie graduated from Penn State University and received her J.D. from American University's Washington College of Law.

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