July 2023 Visa Bulletin Updates on Employment-Based and Family-Sponsored Preference Cases

I. Employment-Based Visa

A. JULY 2023 FINAL ACTION DATES FOR EMPLOYMENT-BASED PREFERENCE CASES CHART:

Employment- based	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA- Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
1 st	С	01FEB22	01FEB22	С	С
2 nd	15FEB22	08JUN19	01JAN11	15FEB22	15FEB22
3 rd	01FEB22 Moved backwards by 4 Months	01APR19	01JAN09 Moved backwards by 3 Years, 4 Months, and 17 Days	01FEB22 Moved backwards by 4 Months	01FEB22 Moved backwards by 4 Months
Other Workers	01JAN20	01SEP15	01JAN09 Moved backwards by 3 Years, 4 Months, and 17 Days	01JAN20	01JAN20
4 th	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18
Certain Religious Workers	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18
5 th Unreserved (Including C5, T5, I5, R5)	С	08SEP15	01APR17	С	C
5 th Set Aside: Rural (20%)	С	с	С	С	С
5 th Set Aside: High Unemployment (10%)	C	С	С	С	C
5 th Set Aside: Infrastructure (2%)	С	C	C	C	C

Employment- based	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA- Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
1 st	С	01JUN22	01JUN22	С	C
2 nd	01DEC22	08JUL19	01MAY12	01DEC22	01DEC22
3 rd	01MAY23	01JUN19	01AUG12	01MAY23	01MAY23
Other Workers	01FEB20	01JAN16	01AUG12	01FEB20	01FEB20
4 th	010CT18	010CT18	010CT18	01OCT18	010CT18
Certain Religious Workers	010CT18	010CT18	01OCT18	010CT18	01OCT18
5 th Unreserved (Including C5, T5, I5, R5)	С	01JAN16	08DEC19	С	С
5 th Set Aside: (Rural - 20%)	с	с	С	С	С
5 th Set Aside: (High Unemployment - 10%)	C	C	С	C	C
5 th Set Aside: (Infrastructure - 2%)	С	С	С	C	С

B. JULY 2023 DATES FOR FILING OF EMPLOYMENT-BASED VISA APPLICATIONS CHART:

As shown in the marked Visa Bulletin charts above, here are the major updates in the July 2023 Employment-based Visa Bulletin:

A. For final action dates for employment-based preference cases:

- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the '3rd' category was moved backwards by 4 Months.
- The final action date for applications from India under the '3rd' category was moved backwards by 3 Years, 4 Months, and 17 Days.
- The final action date for applications from Mexico under the '3rd' category was moved backwards by 4 Months.
- The final action date for applications from the Philippines under the '3rd' category was moved backwards by 4 Months.
- The final action date for applications from India under the 'Other Workers' category was moved backwards by 3 Years, 4 Months, and 17 Days.
- B. For dates for filing of employment-based visa applications:
 - No changes were made.

II. Family-Sponsored Visa

A. JULY 2023 FINAL ACTION DATES FOR FAMILY-SPONSORED PREFERENCE CASES CHART:

Family- Sponsored	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA- Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
F1	15DEC14	15DEC14	15DEC14	22APR01 Moved forward by 21 Days	01MAR12
F2A	08SEP20	08SEP20	08SEP20	01NOV18	08SEP20
F2B	22SEP15	22SEP15	22SEP15	01AUG01 Moved forward by 2 Months	220CT11
F3	22DEC08 Moved forward by 14 Days	22DEC08 Moved forward by 14 Days	22DEC08 Moved forward by 14 Days	15JAN98 Moved forward by 4 Months and 14 Days	08JUN02
F4	22APR07 Moved forward by 14 Days	22APR07 Moved forward by 14 Days	15SEP05	01AUG00	22AUG02

B. JULY 2023 DATES FOR FILING OF FAMILY-SPONSORED PREFERENCE CASES CHART:

Family- Sponsored	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA- Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
F1	01SEP17 Moved forward by 8 Months	01SEP17 Moved forward by 8 Months	01SEP17 Moved forward by 8 Months	01JAN03 Moved forward by 1 Month	22APR15
F2A	С	С	С	С	С
F2B	01JAN17	01JAN17	01JAN17	01APR02 Moved forward by 3 Months	01OCT13
F3	01MAR10 Moved forward by 21 Days	01MAR10 Moved forward by 21 Days	01MAR10 Moved forward by 21 Days	15JUN01	08NOV03
F4	01MAR08 Moved forward by 1 Month	01MAR08 Moved forward by 1 Month	22FEB06	15APR01 Moved forward by 14 Days	22APR04

As seen in the marked visa bulletin charts above, here are the major updates on the July 2023 Visa Bulletin:

A. For final action dates for family-sponsored preference cases:

- The final action date for applications from Mexico under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 21 Days.
- The final action date for applications from Mexico under the 'F2B' category was moved forward by 2 Months.
- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 14 Days.
- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 14 Days.
- The final action date for applications from India under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 14 Days.
- The final action date for applications from Mexico under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 14 Days.
- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 14 Days.
- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 14 Days.

B. Dates for filing of family-sponsored preference cases:

- The dates for filing of applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 8 Months.
- The dates for filing of applications from mainland China under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 8 Months.
- The dates for filing of applications from India under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 8 Months.
- The dates for filing of applications from Mexico under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 1 Month.
- The dates for filing of applications from Mexico under the 'F2B' category was moved forward by 3 Months.
- The dates for filing of applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 21 Days.
- The dates for filing of applications from mainland China under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 21 Days.
- The dates for filing of applications from India under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 21 Days.
- The dates for filing of applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 1 Month.
- The dates for filing of applications from mainland China under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 1 Month.
- The dates for filing of applications from Mexico under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 14 Days.

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