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## OFLC Postpones Date for Submitting Revised PERM and CW-1 Forms in FLAG System to June 1, 2023

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The U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Foreign Labor Certification (OFLC) has postponed the date for submission of permanent labor certification (PERM) applications and CW-1 applications for temporary employment certification in the Foreign Labor Application Gateway (FLAG) system from May 16, 2023, to June 1, 2023.

## **Quick Hits**

- On May 11, 2023, OFLC announced a postponement from May 16, 2023, to June 1, 2023, of the date for filers to submit the new, revised PERM and CW-1 forms in the FLAG system.
- Effective June 1, 2023, OFLC will only accept the new version of Form ETA-9089 and its appendices via the FLAG system. According to OFLC's announcement, "[a]pplicants should continue to use the current PERM and CW-1 forms until such time."

OFLC previously announced plans to <u>revise the PERM process</u> to streamline the program, improve the employer experience, and speed up processing of labor certifications.

After May 31, 2023, at 6:59 Eastern Time, OFLC will not accept new applications submitted through the legacy PERM online system. OFLC will no longer accept the previous version of Form ETA-9089 or Forms ETA-9141C/9142C and their related forms, either electronically or by mail after May 31, 2023.

Ogletree Deakins' <u>Immigration Practice Group</u> will continue to monitor developments with respect to these and other policy changes and will post updates on the <u>Immigration</u> blog as additional information becomes available.

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