

LAA MEDIA ALERT

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5th Annual Citizenship Day Naturalization Drive & Information Session at the LAA Saturday, April 30, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

What: The Latin American Association (LAA) and the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) will host the 5th Annual Citizenship Day, a naturalization drive and information session to provide professional assistance to lawful permanent residents with the U.S. citizenship application process. **The event is free and will take place Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

The official U.S. citizenship process requires that participants must be at least 18 years old and have been a lawful permanent resident ("green card" holder) for five years (or for three years if married to a U.S. citizen). In addition, applicants must pass a civics test, take the oath of allegiance to the United States, and demonstrate "good moral character." They must also be able to read, write and speak English in order to meet the requirements for citizenship. The Citizenship Day will help prepare individuals for this process with informational sessions and helpful advice from professional immigration lawyers.

When: Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Where: Latin American Association, 2750 Buford Highway Atlanta, GA 30324

Contact: Latin American Association's Immigration Department: (404) 471-1889,
www.thelaa.org

About The Latin American Association:

The Latin American Association helps Latino families achieve their aspirations for their academic, social and economic advancement. We accomplish this through direct programs and integrated community partnerships that focus on youth academic achievement, education and prevention, and services to families with urgent needs. The LAA offers employment, immigration and translation services, as well as programs for youth, computer classes, parenting classes, and English and Spanish language classes. Visit www.thelaa.org for more information.

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