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Butzel Long attorney Reggie Pacis quoted in Crain's Detroit Business on delays and denials for visa petitions

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Tougher scrutiny by immigration officials of foreign workers seeking visas is tying the hands of businesses trying to fill high-skill jobs, local immigration attorneys say. Visa petitions are requiring more documentation, and delays and denials are on the rise.

In some cases, that scrutiny — backed by the Trump Administration's Buy American and Hire American executive order — may be driving work across the U.S. border, those attorneys argue. President Donald Trump signed that order in April 2017, aiming to create higher wages and employment rates for U.S. workers, while awarding visas to the most-skilled foreign workers.

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