



**American Immigration Law Foundation
“Celebrate America” Fifth Grade Creative Writing Contest**

LETTER OF INVITATION TO PANEL JUDGES

(Date)

(Name)

(Address)

Dear (Name):

Each year, the American Immigration Law Foundation (AILF) sponsors the “Celebrate America” Creative Writing Contest directed towards fifth graders with the theme “Why I Am Glad America Is a Nation of Immigrants.” The entries of the National Contest are the winning entries of local Contests from around the Country. The (region/state) AILA Chapter requests that you consider participating in the Contest as a judge to aid in the selection of our local winners.

The “Celebrate America” Creative Writing Contest is part of AILF’s ongoing efforts to spread a positive message about the benefits of immigration. We believe that this Contest plays a significant role in demonstrating the important contributions immigrants make to our community and to America, and that it facilitates education of the students, their families and teachers of the history of immigration and how it may relate to them on a more personal level.

Approximately (insert number) schools in the (insert region/city/state) area are participating in the Contest. The deadline for submissions is (entry deadline). A committee will screen all of the entries, and the top ten will be submitted to a panel of prominent people from (insert area) to rank and determine the first, second and third place winners. We hope that you will agree to participate in this panel.

Thank you in advance for considering this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (insert phone number and email address).

Sincerely,

(Your Name)

(Your Contact Information)