

# Guilty plea in huge immigration scam

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THE ARCHITECT of what prosecutors say may be the largest immigration fraud scheme in U.S. history pleaded guilty Monday to conspiracy charges.

Earl Seth David, also known as Rabbi Avraham David, applied for legal status for 25,000 illegal aliens based on phony claims that U.S. employers had sponsored those aliens for employment.

He operated the scheme out of his Manhattan law firm for 13 years, charging the aliens exorbitant fees of as much as \$30,000, prosecutors said.

In exchange for his guilty plea, David faces 6 1/2 to eight years in prison when he is sentenced Aug. 15. He also agreed to forfeit \$2.5 million in proceeds.

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