

14th Annual AILA New England Immigration Law Conference

Friday, March 3, 2017

8:00 – 9:00 AM

Morris Auditorium

Early Morning Ethics Forum

Stacey A. L. Best, MA Office of Bar Counsel

Heidi S. Alexander, LOMAP, Law Practice Advisor

- Conflict of interests in dual representation scenarios
- Defining scope of representation and use of letters of engagement
- Privacy and technology – traps for the unwary

Welcome & Introductions

Susan Church, AILA New England Chapter Chair

Madeline Cronin & Sara Mailander, Course Book Editors

9:00 AM - 10:20 AM

Immigration in a Post-Obama World

Moderator: Susan Church, AILA NE Chapter Chair

Benjamin Johnson, AILA, Executive Director

William Stock, AILA, President

Beth Werlin, American Immigrant Council, Executive Director

10:20 AM - 11:20 AM

Post Inauguration: What's Different & What's the Same From the Government's Perspective

Moderator: Anthony Drago, Jr.

Denis C. Riordan, District Director, District 1, USCIS

Bartholomew Cahill, Asst. Special Agent in Charge, HSI

Todd J. Thurlow, Assistant Field Office Director, ICE, ERO

Michael Manning, Acting Assistant Director, CBP

Neil Algarin, Supervisory Officer, CBP

11:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Break

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

NVC/Consulate: Process, Procedure, Tips & Strategies

Moderator: Leslie Holman, AILA Past President

Phillip T. Slattery, Director, National Visa Center

Cheryl Bodek, Consular Section Chief, U.S. Consulate General Montreal

12:30 PM - 1:50 PM

**Lunch (on your own) or Join a Topic Meeting in the Connolly Center or
Ask an Expert Open Lunch Session in the New England Room, 4th Flr**

1:50 PM - 5:00 PM

Concurrent Workshop Tracks

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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TRACK ONE:

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REMOVAL DEFENSE

1:50 PM – 2:50 PM

Advanced Asylum & Refugee Issues

*Moderator: Rosanne Milano, AILA NE Asylum Liaison
Anwen Hughes, Deputy Legal Director, Human Rights First
David McHaffey, AILA National & AILA NE Asylum Liaison
Anita P. Sharma, PAIR Executive Director & AILA NE Asylum Liaison*

- Exceptions to terror bars & how to avoid persecutor bars
- How to “rescue” a case a terror or CARP case from headquarters
- What is the executive power to bar groups of people from the U.S.?
- Q & A

2:50 PM – 3:50 PM

How to Use the Federal Courts to Your Advantage – Be Not Afraid

*Moderator: Anthony Drago, Jr.
Adriana Lafaille, ACLU MA*

Trina Realmuto, Litigation Director, National Immigration Project of NLG

- Are you ready to litigate? Habeas Corpus and Mandamus – when is it time to file suit in the U.S. District Court?
- Now that you are ready to litigate, how do you prepare and file your lawsuit in Federal Court?
- What happens after you file suit? Practical issues that arise during litigation in the District Court.
- Q & A

3:50PM – 4:00 PM

Networking/Cookie Break

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Hot Topics in Crim-Imm

*Moderator: Wendy Wayne, Director of Immigration Impact Unit, CPCS
Jennifer Klein, Attorney, CPCS
Sean Smith, Criminal Defense Counsel
Sarah Sherman-Stokes, BU Immigrant Rights Clinic*

- Impact of election on immigrants with criminal history
- Recent developments in caselaw including categorical approach
- Advising criminal defense attorneys on safer pleas in criminal court
- Q & A

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TRACK TWO:

Connolly Center, 4th Floor

BUSINESS IMMIGRATION

1:50 PM – 2:50 PM

Intersection of Immigration with Other Areas of Law

Moderator: Leslie Ditrani

Amy Carlin, Morgan, Brown, and Joy, LLP (Employment)

Jennifer Hoenig, West Hill Technology Counsel (Corporate)

Travis Blais, Blais, Halpert, Lieberman & Greene LLC (Tax)

- Common employment law concerns for the immigration practitioner
- Choice of entity and other corporate law questions
- What we all need to know about tax law
- Q & A

2:50 PM – 3:50 PM

Business Immigration Options in a Trump Presidency

Moderator: Matthew Maiona

Maurice H. Goldman, Tucson, AZ

Angelo Paparelli, Los Angeles, CA

- What's likely to change in business immigration
- H-1B alternatives
- Immigrant visa strategies
- Q & A

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Perennial PERM Issues

Moderator: Miki Matrician

Vincent Lau, AILA DOL Committee

Robert White, AILA DOL Committee

- Prevailing wage tips
- Common PERM mistakes & audit/denial trends
- Recent decisions and how they affect your case
- Q & A

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