



Three-Part Telephone & E-mail Seminar:

Consular Processing for Experts

Speakers: Shanni Alexandrovitz, Jacqueline Bart, Brian Bolton, Jill Bussey, Jane Carroll, Rachel Graciano, Stephen Pattison, Nicolas Rollason, Sal Savatteri Lois Gimpel Shaukat and Nita Upadhye.

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Seminar Outline

FIRST Phone Session on November 18: Preparing Clients for Visa Interview: When Does "Preparation" Become "Coaching"?

- Perspectives on "Coaching"-Consular Officers and ABA Model Rules
- Coaching vs Preparation-Defining the Differences
- Discussion and Analysis of Case Examples

SECOND Phone Session on December 23: Global Migration

- Overview of Multiple Jurisdictions
- Current Hot Topics in Global Migration
- Trends in the Field-Including Special Focus on Changes in UK Immigration Guidance
- Business Visitors vs Skilled Workers

THIRD Phone Session on January 6: The Art of Visa Adjudication

- The Art of Visa Adjudication
- Visa Interview Pet Peeves
- The Visa Application Process: What Needs to be Fixed-and What Doesn't
- Consular Officers and Immigration Attorneys: Suggestions for Creating a Constructive Working Relationship

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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

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Rachel Graciano worked in the corporate world until joining the State Department in 2006. She's a Consular [focused] officer who began her overseas career in Tel Aviv, Israel. Currently she is serving at the Vancouver Consulate. She is excited to be moving next summer to Beirut, Lebanon as the American Citizen Services Chief.

Nicolas Rollason is recognized as "very experienced, knowledgeable and highly diligent" (Legal 500 2009) Nick is also known as an expert in EU immigration law and has litigated key test cases before the European Court of Justice. He has been a regular contributor to the European Commission's Annual Report on Free Movement for the UK since 1997 and is a consultant to the International Labour Organisation and the OECD, for whom he acts as an expert on international highly skilled migration policy. He is the author of the Immigration chapter in the Solicitors Family Law Association's International Aspects of Family Law and is currently co-authoring the chapter of Free Movement of Persons in Vaughan & Robertson's Law of the European Union.

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immigration law and consular affairs. An accomplished and sought-after public speaker, Mr. Pattison has been served on panels for national and international immigration conferences. He has also been widely published on a variety of topics, including consular processing, ethics, waivers, and all facets of business immigration.

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