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SEMINAR OUTLINE

FIRST Phone Session on November 21, 2013 - The D Word: Detentions, Deferrals, DACA, Defenses to Deportability, Departures

- DACA
- Deferral/Prosecutorial Discretion
- Admin. Closures, Continuances
- Defenses to Deportability
- Departure and Vartelas
- Voluntary Departure

SECOND Phone Session on December 12, 2013 - The E Words: Eligibility for Relief/Benefits, Extreme and Exceptional Hardship, Exercise of Discretion, and Effective Counsel

- Entry, Expedited Removal/Credible Fear
- Exceptions to Removal
 - LPR and Non-LPR Cancellation of Removal
 - Adjustment of Status
 - Section 212(h), 212(i), 237(a)(1)(H) Waivers
 - U Visas in Proceedings
 - Withholding of removal/asylum
- Evidence and Burden of Proof - Documenting Discretionary Eligibility, and Entitlement
- Effective Counsel and Motions to Reopen for Ineffective Assistance

THIRD Phone Session on January 9, 2014 - The C Words: Citizenship, Cards and Claims, Categorical Analysis, Convictions, CIMTS, Courts

- Citizenship claims
- Identity cards, I-9s, Voting, and Fraud
- Categorical Crime Analysis under *Moncrieffe* and *Deschamps*
- CIMT construction and *Silva Trevino*
- *Chaidez*, Vacations and Modifications of Conviction
- Circuit Court Review: BIA appeals, Mediation, and Negotiating Remands
- CIR Update

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Lory Rosenberg (Discussion Leader) is the founder and owner of IDEAS Consultation and Coaching. She has been an immigration attorney for more than 30 years and has extensive experience as a legal writer, published author, analyst, trainer, professor, mentor, practitioner, and decision-maker in many areas involving immigration law and policy. Ms. Rosenberg has particular expertise in the areas of civil detention and bond; admissions, adjustment of status, consular visa processing, and waivers; DACA (deferred action for childhood arrivals); asylum and refugee law; right to counsel, enforcement, suppression of evidence, removal & cancellation; immigration consequences of crime, alternate pleas and sentences, post-conviction and Padilla relief; statutory interpretation and decisional analysis; jurisdictional, procedural and substantive issues in administrative appeals and judicial review; agency disciplinary practices; and, matters relating to advocacy, prosecutorial discretion, legislative amendments and comprehensive immigration law reform. Over the past 7 years, while consulting with immigration lawyers, defenders, and other colleagues, Ms. Rosenberg has branched out to study success & business coaching, marketing and business practices for heart-



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centered entrepreneurs, as well as meridian energy tapping, all of which have enriched her legal consulting and mentoring practice.

Jeff Joseph is a graduate of the University of Denver, College of Law and is a member of the American Immigration Lawyer's Association (AILA). He currently serves as an elected director on the AILA National Board of Governors, and also serves on the AILA National Liaison Committee with the headquarters of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service. Last year, he chaired the AILA National 2011 Annual Conference. He is a former Chapter Chair of AILA Colorado. He also serves on the Board of Trustees of the American Immigration Council. Mr. Joseph has served on the AILA National Liaison Committee with the headquarters of the Executive Office for Immigration Review, as chair of the AILA Amicus Committee, and as a member of the National Immigration and Customs Enforcement Liaison Committee.

Matthew Kolken is a trial lawyer with experience in all aspects of United States Immigration Law including Immigration Courts throughout the United States, and appellate practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals, the U.S. District Courts, and U.S. Courts of Appeals. He is admitted to practice in the courts of the State of New York, the United States District Court for the Western District of New York, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and is a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA).

Maris Liss was an experienced litigator and trial attorney when she joined George P. Mann and Associates, P.C. in 2003, where she is the head of their appellate litigation practice. Maris handles litigation in the U. S. Circuit Courts of Appeal, and the District Courts along with appeals to the Board of Immigration Appeals. In the U.S. Courts of Appeal, she litigates asylum applications, issues involving non-citizens convicted of crimes, and applications for immigration benefits such as adjustment of status, cancellation of removal, and 212(c) relief. In the District Courts, Maris litigates issues involving denied or delayed applications for naturalization and adjustment of status and other immigration benefits, and petitions for writ of habeas corpus challenging prolonged detention in immigration custody. Maris is a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association's Amicus Committee, co-authoring and coordinating amicus briefing and litigation strategies before various Federal courts on issues of importance to immigration law and policy to advance the rights of immigrants and asylees.

Michelle Mendez is a Senior Attorney at Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Washington Immigration Legal Services where she was previously the 2008-2010 DLA Piper Equal Justice Works Fellow. Michelle focuses her practice on deportation defense litigation, family-based petitions, domestic violence and crime victims' relief, civil rights advocacy, appellate work, and community education. Michelle also represents unaccompanied minors on Special Immigrant Juvenile Status petitions in Maryland Circuit Courts. She is a 2008 alumna of the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law where she received the William P. Cunningham Award for Exceptional Achievement & Service as well as the Annual Leadership in Public Interest Program Student Pro Bono Award. During law school, Michelle interned at the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in Costa Rica and Ayuda, Inc. Prior to law school, Michelle worked at the Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition, the French Ministry of Education in Rennes, France and the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA). In her spare time, Michelle serves on the AILA National and DC Chapter Unauthorized Practice of Law Committees and the Maryland Immigrant Rights Coalition Board of Directors, and teaches for Shemer Bar Review. Michelle is a native Spanish speaker originally from Medellín, Colombia, speaks French fluently.

Marty Rosenbluth is an attorney at Abogados de Alamance/Alamance Law Office. He is also the Executive Director of the North Carolina Immigrant Rights Project. He is a nationally recognized expert on Secure Communities and 287(g) and has attended meetings at the White House and ICE headquarters to discuss these programs. Prior to attending law school, he was as a human rights researcher for Al-Haq, the West Bank affiliate of the International Commission of Jurists, and was Amnesty International's Country Specialist for Israel and the Occupied Territories for over twelve years. He is a graduate of the UNC School of Law.

Rekha Sharma-Crawford received her Juris Doctorate from Michigan State University College of Law in 1993. She has been an assistant district attorney in Sedgwick County, Ks. and in Douglas County, Ks. Rekha is licensed to practice law in the states of Kansas, Texas, and Michigan, and has been practicing in the immigration litigation field since 2000. She is admitted to the U.S. Supreme Court, District of Kansas, Western District of Missouri, and the Federal Appeals Court for the Fifth, Seventh, Eighth, Tenth and Eleventh Circuits. Rekha is also a member of the American Immigration Lawyer's Association, Texas Bar Association, Kansas Bar Association, and Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association.

Mark Shmueli is a private immigration law practitioner who focuses his practice on complex family, removal and naturalization cases. Mark was appointed to the Governor's Commission to Study the Impact of Immigrants in Maryland and was a co-author of its 2012 final report. He also taught "Immigration and Ethnicity" at the University of Maryland in College Park in the fall 2011 semester. He is a regular guest on WPFW on immigration matters and recently appeared on XM satellite radio's Dr. Wilmer Leon Show. He currently serves on the media relations committee for the American Immigration Lawyers Association and in that role is a national spokesperson for AILA. He has previously chaired AILA's national Pro Bono and USCIS Field Operations Committees. He has authored several articles including, a two part series on the historical context of comprehensive immigration reform in relationship to



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the current immigration reform bill published in the August and September 2013 editions of the Maryland Bar Bulletin and a chapter on the history of same sex relationships in immigration law and the effects recent Supreme Court decisions on DOMA on immigration law. His other articles include: "Protecting Immigrant Women: Benefits for Abuse Victims" MD Bar Journal, Sept./Oct. 2008 and co-authored "One Nation, Divided by Immigration: State and Local Immigration Laws in the Absence of Comprehensive Immigration Reform" MD Bar Bulletin, October 2011 and "Pitfalls in the Bewildering Legal World of the 'Criminal Alien'" MD Bar Journal, July/Aug. 2006.

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