



Three-Part Telephone Seminar:

Advanced Removal Series

Speakers: Lory Rosenberg (Discussion Leader), Dree Collopy, Ilana Greenstein, Maris Liss, Helen Parsonage, Rekha Sharma-Crawford, Ben Winograd, and others to be announced.

Registration Deadline: April 15th, 2014

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SEMINAR OUTLINE

FIRST Phone Session on March 27, 2014 - Best Practices in Challenging Detention and Advocating for Asylum, Withholding and CAT

- Detention update on shackling, detainees
- Release from custody strategies
- Abuses and conditions of detention
- Habeas actions
- Credible fear, reasonable fear and related detention and release issues Asylum highlights: gang claims, social group claims, anti-gay claims, Mexico claims
- Creative corroboration and credibility
- Making a record in asylum claims

SECOND Phone Session on April 17, 2014 - Best Practices in Removal Defense and Relief

- Burden of Proof, Objections, Evidentiary issues
- Criminal Grounds Update: Moncrief, Deschamps, Padilla
- IJ and TA issues, bias, continuances
- Prosecutorial discretion strategies
- Exceptions to Removal -- standards, strategies and documentation
- LPR and Non-LPR Cancellation
- Adjustment of Status in Proceedings
- Section 212(h), 212(i), 237(a)(1)(H) Waivers

THIRD Phone Session on May 1, 2014 - Best Practices in Challenging Agency Action

- Motions to reconsider and reopen
- Sua Sponte motions
- Motions to remand
- Motions to terminate
- Interlocutory motions
- BIA appeal strategies and selected cases
- Unpublished BIA opinion highlights
- Circuit Court of Appeals highlights

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



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immigration lawyers, defenders, and other colleagues, Ms. Rosenberg has branched out to study success & business coaching, marketing and business practices for heart-centered entrepreneurs, as well as meridian energy tapping, all of which have enriched her legal consulting and mentoring practice.

Dree K. Collopy is a Partner of Benach Ragland LLP in Washington, DC. She devotes her practice to representing individuals in removal proceedings, asylum matters, federal court litigation, VAWA and U visa petitions, waivers of inadmissibility, and complex adjustment of status and naturalization applications. Ms. Collopy has authored several articles and frequently lectures on cutting edge immigration issues. She is the author of the 7th Edition of AILA's *Asylum Primer*. For the past two years, Ms. Collopy has served as the Chair of AILA's Asylum and Refugee Committee, building relationships and working cooperatively with government officials to maintain the integrity of our asylum system and ensure that our laws are implemented with accuracy and fairness. She is deeply committed to securing access to counsel for indigent clients, volunteering for the BIA Pro Bono Project and mentoring attorneys for Catholic Charities' pro bono program. Ms. Collopy is an Adjunct Professor at The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law, where she directs the Immigration Litigation Clinic and where she earned her J.D. She earned her B.A. at Grinnell College.

Ilana Etkin Greenstein is a partner at Macias, Greenstein & Kaplan in East Boston, Massachusetts. Her work covers all aspects of immigration law, with a particular focus on removal defense and appellate litigation. She appears regularly before the nation's federal courts, the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts, and is an adjunct faculty member at Northeastern University School of Law. Ilana holds a J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law, and a B.A. in Spanish and International Studies from Macalester College. She served on the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild (1996-2002 and 2009-2010), and is frequently called upon to mentor less experienced practitioners, and to present at professional seminars and conferences.

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.

Helen Parsonage is a partner in the firm of Elliot Morgan Parsonage PLLC in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. A Board Certified Specialist in Immigration Law and a criminal defense attorney, she has a particular interest in the intersection of these two areas for her own clients, and as an advisor to criminal defense attorneys across the state. Her pro bono efforts include asylum, VAWA and SIJS cases in cooperation with local social services, USCRI and Immigration Equality.

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.



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