Immigration Attorneys

This list is by no means complete nor an endorsement by Berkeley International Office. The choice of an attorney is the responsibility of the individual. More locations for some offices may be available; see their website for information.

Asian Law Caucus Inc.
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San Francisco, CA 94111
(415) 896-1701
http://www.advancingjustice-alc.org/

Berry, Appleman & Leiden
353 Sacramento Street, Ste. 1300
San Francisco, CA 94111
(415) 398-1800
http://www.balglobal.com

Catholic Charities: Immigration Project
433 Jefferson St.
Oakland, CA 94607
(510) 768-3100
http://www.cceb.org

Cooley, Godward & Kronish
101 California Street, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94111
Phone: (415) 693-2000
http://www.cooley.com

Leslie A. Jewell
55 New Montgomery St., Suite 201
San Francisco, CA, 94105
(415) 856-0100
www.lawjewell.com

Elliot & Mayock LLP
220 Sansome St., 12th Fl.
San Francisco, CA, 94104
(415) 765-5111
http://www.emvisa.com

Finnan, Fleischut and Associates
525 Middlefield Rd., Suite 200
Menlo Park, CA 94025
(650) 322-8328
http://www.fleischut.com/

Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy
250 Montgomery Street, 10th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94104
(415) 986-1446
http://www.fragomen.com/

Law Offices of Adam Green
6300 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1020
Los Angeles, CA 90048
1-866-716-4854 (toll free)
www.employment-familysponsoredimmigration.com

Helen Hui
456 Montgomery St., #700
San Francisco, CA, 94104
(415) 781-8251

Jackson & Hertogs
201 Mission Street, Suite 700
San Francisco, CA 94105
(415) 986-4559
http://www.jackson-hertogs.com

Martin J. Lawler
1 Post Street, Suite 475
San Francisco, CA, 94104
(415) 391-2010
http://www.aboutvisas.com/

Jocelyne J. Kim Lew
1065 E. Hillsdale Blvd. Suite 245
Foster City, CA 94404
(650) 573-1065
http://www.lewslaw.com

Edward R. Litwin
Litwin & Associates
425 Market Street, suite 2200
San Francisco, CA, 94105
(415)392-3300
http://www.litwinlaw.com

William May
57 Post St., #907
San Francisco, CA, 94104
(415) 781-0574
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McVey, Mullery & Dulberg
550 Montgomery St., #550
San Francisco, CA 94111
(415) 781-1001
www.mmdlaw.net

Rochelle A. Fortier Nwadibia,
Law Offices
1 Sansome St., #3500
San Francisco, CA, 94104
Tel: 415 781-5750
www.rafnlaw.com

Simmons & Ungar
351 California Street, Ste#1300
San Francisco, CA, 94104
(415) 421-0860
www.simmonsungar.com

William Stahl
675 North 1st St., #745
San Jose, CA, 95112
(408) 298-0505
www.stahlvisa.com

Goswami, Strand & Seaborn
870 Market Street, Suite 1028
San Francisco, CA 94133-1325
(415) 391-0228
virender@vgoswamilaw.com

Van Der Hout, Brigagliano & Nightingale
180 Sutter St., 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA, 94104
(415) 981-3000
www.vblaw.com

Weaver and Schlegner
550 Montgomery St., #650
San Francisco, CA, 94111
(415) 395-9331
http://www.wsmimmigration.com/

Epstein & Surowitz
1300 Clay Street Suite 600
Oakland, CA 94612
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Immigration Attorneys: Making the Choice

Listed below are some questions to ask when shopping for an immigration attorney:

1. Does the attorney primarily practice in the area of immigration law?

2. Does the attorney primarily practice in specialty areas of immigration law?

3. How many years has the attorney been practicing immigration law?

4. What kind of experience does the attorney have with the specific type of case you have?

5. Is the attorney knowledgeable in student and scholar issues?

6. Is the attorney a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association? If not, is it very unlikely that s/he is actively practicing immigration law? You can find a referral to AILA Immigration attorneys on their website at http://www.aila.org/.

7. Will you be working directly with that attorney? Some will turn your case over to an associate or a legal assistant after the initial interview.

8. What is the attorney’s honest appraisal of the likelihood of success with your case? Be wary of anyone who “guarantees” you success.

9. Does everything you know about this attorney tell you that this person is knowledgeable and competent to handle your specific type of case?

10. Does everything you know about this attorney tell you that this person is ethical and honest in relations with clients?

11. Are you comfortable with the attorney’s style and personality?

12. Is there any initial consultation fee? Some attorneys have an hourly charge; others have a fixed fee, depending on the type of case. You may wish to meet with an attorney for a consultation only and/or hire the attorney to handle your case.

13. Are the fees comparable to other attorneys’ fees? If not, why not? The lowest fees do not necessarily indicate the best deal. The highest fee does not necessarily indicate the best service.

14. If you still have questions about the attorney’s background and qualifications, contact the California State Bar Association (www.calbar.ca.gov) for information about a particular attorney.