

THE INTERSECTION OF IMMIGRATION AND FAMILY LAW

Friday, May 27, 2022, via Zoom. *Estimated 7 MCLE, 1.5 Ethics Pending*



A Collaboration of The Family Law Section, Hispanic Issues Section, and Immigration & Nationality Law Section

7:45 Welcome

8:00 The Intersection of Family & Immigration

Definitions (spouse, child) in various immigration and family applications
Immigration status & divorce/custody issues
The Visa Bulletin and changes in the family
Dual representation concerns

*Angelique Montano
and Marcela Ortiz-Taing*

9:00 Special Juvenile Immigration Status

Eligibility and screening
Current trends
SIJ findings in custody/divorce proceedings
Impact on UAC status of custody/guardianship/adoption proceedings
Dual representation or representation of child only

*Alma Benevides
and Monica Myint*

10:00 I-751 Waivers & VAWA/U Visas

Impact of divorce and separation on conditional residence
Discrepancies in immigration and divorce proceedings
DV, U, and VAWA screening issues in divorce
Victims' confidentiality

Javier Rivera

11:00 Public Charge & Family Matters Affecting Citizenship & Removability

I-864 sponsor obligations
I-864 enforceability in divorce proceedings
Public charge trends
Conflicts of interest
Family matters impacting deportability and naturalization

*Kate Lincoln-Goldfinch
and Greg McLawsen*

12:00 One Hour Break for Lunch

1:00 View From the Bench

Approaching the bench from inside the immigration courts
Approaching the bench from inside the family courts

*Justice William Zimmer
TBD Family Law Judge*

2:00 International Adoption / Custody

Differences in adopted children: IR2, IH3, IR3, IH4, IR4
Hague Convention adoptions
Orphan (non-Hague) adoptions
Other adoptions
Child Citizenship Act
Alternatives to adoption for lawful status

Anne Kennedy

3:00 LGBTQ, Surrogacy and Other Modern Families

Subtopics
Current trends

*Stephany Alvarez
and John Nechman*