



Three-Part Telephone & E-mail Seminar:

Removal For Experts

*Speakers: Lory Rosenberg, Lisa Brodyaga, Linda Friedman
Ramirez, Jeff Joseph, Anne Relias and Deborah Smith*

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Seminar Outline

FIRST Phone Session on March 25: Categorical Analysis and Charging Concerns: Old Law and New Twists

- Matter of Silva-Trevino and recent decisions
- Nijhawan v. Holder - aggravated felony convictions
- Gonzalez v. Duenas Alvarez
- Evidentiary issues, police reports, burden of proof

SECOND Phone Session on April 15: Relief from Removal: A Potpourri of Issues

- Admission, adjustment and 212(h) waivers -circuit survey
- CSPA issues
- Matter of Almanza-Arenas - burden of proof and corroboration
- Matter of Compean - right to effective counsel
- Kucana v. Holder - motions to reopen and reconsider

THIRD Phone Session on May 6: Custody, Voluntary Departure, and Judicial Review: From the Beginning to the End

- Mandatory detention "when released" issues
- Voluntary departure, knowing waivers, motions to reopen
- Reinstatement and judicial review
- Final order review under the Real ID
- Stays and motions
- Habeas challenges

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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Lory Rosenberg (Discussion Leader) has been an immigration attorney for more than 30 years and has extensive experience as a legal author, analyst, trainer, teacher, mentor, practitioner, and decision-maker in many areas involving immigration law and policy. Ms. Rosenberg has particular expertise in the areas of detention and bond; asylum and refugee law; admissions, adjustment of status, and consular visa processing; right to counsel, enforcement, removal (exclusion and deportation) and waivers; immigration consequences of crime; statutory interpretation and decisional analysis; administrative appeals and judicial review; and comprehensive immigration law reform. In 2005, she founded IDEAS Consultation and Coaching to win victories and ensure that justice prevails in individual immigration cases, as well as to achieve positive outcomes in immigration policy and advocacy matters.

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Linda Friedman Ramirez represents foreign nationals in criminal matters, including extradition and transnational crime. She has been an attorney since 1981 and is admitted to practice in the Third, Fourth, Ninth and Eleventh Circuits as well as the US Supreme Court. She is a Life Member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and a member of the European Criminal Bar Association. She regularly works with attorneys outside the United States. Ms. Ramirez has her JD from Willamette University College of Law 1981. Before law school, she earned her B.A. in International Affairs from George Washington University, 1975, and traveled throughout Central and Latin America during those years. She was employed by the Pan American Development Foundation, which is affiliated with the Organization of American States. She is fluent in Spanish.

Jeff Joseph is a graduate of the University of Denver, College of Law. Mr. Joseph heads up the employment-based immigration section and works primarily on employment based immigration cases, employer sanctions and federal litigation. He is a past Chapter Chair of the Colorado Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) and currently serves as an elected director on the AILA National Board of Governors. Mr. Joseph has represented clients before the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service, the Executive Office for Immigration Review, the Board of Immigration Appeals, the U.S. District Courts, and the Circuit Courts of Appeals, and has published several opinions in those courts. He is an adjunct professor of immigration law at the University of Denver, College of Law. Mr. Joseph is bi-lingual in Spanish and English.

Anne Relias concentrates her practice in the deportation defense, immigration litigation and appeals, political asylum, waivers of inadmissibility and family based immigration. Ms. Relias joined Scott D. Pollock & Associates, P.C. as an Associate Attorney in 2005. Prior to entering private practice, Ms. Relias was a Supervising Attorney at the National Immigrant Justice Center in Chicago where she concentrated in deportation defense. Ms. Relias has served on the National American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) Asylum Committee, as the Chair of the Chicago Chapter AILA Asylum and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Liaison Committees and often speaks at conferences and trainings both locally and nationally. She was recognized as an Illinois Rising Star in 2008, 2009 and 2010. Ms. Relias received her Juris Doctorate from DePaul University College of Law, with a Certificate in International and Comparative Law in 2001. Ms. Relias received her Bachelor's Degree, cum laude, from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in 1998.

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