



Three-Part Telephone & E-mail Seminar:

Removal Practice: Cutting Edge Strategies and Developments for 2012

Speakers: Lory Rosenberg, Lisa Brodyaga, Dawn Lurie, Michelle Mendez, Jeff Joseph, Mehreen Shah, Isaac Wheeler

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Seminar Outline

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FIRST Phone Session on September 27 - Removal Defense in 2012 and Beyond

- DACA and Prosecutorial Discretion
- Evidentiary Issues: Burden, Judicial Notice, Discovery, Suppression
- Key BIA decisions, exhaustion and appeal

SECOND Phone Session on October 11 - Supreme Court Calendar and Key Circuit Decisions

- Chaidez v. U.S.* - Padilla, post-conviction relief and retroactivity
- Descamp v. U.S.* - modified categorical approach and elements of the offense
- Silva-Trevino v. DHS* - categorical approach and Crime Involving Moral Turpitude

THIRD Phone Session on November 19 - EB-5 and Business Immigrants In Removal Proceedings

- Conditional LPR status and avenues of review
- Past or present criminal convictions
- Compliance, fraud and false claims

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Lory Rosenberg is owner of IDEAS Consultation and Coaching (Immigration Defense Expert Advocacy Solutions), providing incisive case and issue consultation, expert opinion, and mentoring for attorneys, advocates and organizations engaged in agency and federal court appeals, asylum, convictions, admission, visas/adjustment of status, waivers, removal defense, naturalization, and immigration reform. Ms. Rosenberg offers private client representation, writing, and litigation support, and coaches attorneys and professionals to succeed in transforming challenges with money, limiting beliefs, stress, and life transitions. She co-authored the treatise, *Immigration Law and Crimes*, decided 20,000 administrative appeals between 1995 and 2002 as an appellate judge on the Board of Immigration Appeals, directed leading non-profit legal efforts, and taught immigration, asylum, and criminal removal law at AU Washington College of Law. She is a highly respected national lecturer, trainer, and author of numerous articles and manuals on immigration law.

Lisa Brodyaga is an immigration attorney practicing in Texas.

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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.

Mehreen Shah or Mona Shah as she is more commonly known. Born in the UK, Mona graduated from the University of Northumbria in England in 1990. Mona was admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England & Wales in 1993, and was admitted to the New York Bar and the United States Federal Bar in 1997. After moving to New York in 1995, she established her own law firm in New York City in 1997. The firm handles legal matters for clients worldwide. Her firm also has a London affiliate office which allows for the representation of European, Middle-Eastern and South Asian clients. Mona has over 17 years of legal experience, with more than 13 years concentrated in U.S. immigration and family law and litigation. Her firm, Mona Shah and Associates, represents individual, high profile and corporate clients from all over the world. Mona is highly proficient and experienced in EB-5 law and practice, and is the author of a forthcoming book for investors on the EB-5 laws and procedures. She has hands-on experience setting up and establishing EB-5 Regional Centers. Mona was also one of the 4 original founders of New York City Regional Center and the only Immigration Attorney on the team. Mona also founded the New York Immigration Fund, RC; her firm, Mona Shah & Associates, exclusively handled the Times Square Hotel project. Mona Shah & Associates handles the EB-5 Investor petitions for multiple regional centers. Mona has authored and published numerous articles including EB-5 related articles. She has written and spoken extensively on immigration law. She is often featured as a guest speaker at legal seminars and on local television news programs.

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