



Sarah Hawk's strategic mind and extensive understanding of current and emerging immigration legislation and trends have earned her national and international recognition. Sarah provides crucial immigration counsel to domestic and multinational companies in various industries such as healthcare, financial services, hospitality, higher education, and technology, among others.

Sarah brings nearly 20 years of experience helping companies develop and implement immigration policies to secure visas and permanent residence status for executives, managers and critical employees. She also assists physicians, professors, and scientists at universities and research institutions, along with artists, athletes, entrepreneurs, and investors.

Her comprehensive knowledge includes advising on a broad range of immigration petitions, nonimmigrant and immigrant visa applications, consular processing, waiver cases and outbound placement, helping clients manage their global workforce. Sarah provides guidance for even the most complex I-9 and E-verify compliance, audits, investigations, training, and policies for various entities.

Sarah oversees the preparation of employment-based immigration petitions (B, H, L, O, P, TN, E-2), PERM labor certification applications, EB-1 Extraordinary Ability, EB-1 Outstanding Researcher/Professor, EB-2 National Interest Waiver, and immigrant petitions in virtually all preference categories, adjustment of status and consular processing cases and naturalization cases.

With a knack for building and enhancing client relationships, Sarah once served as business immigration legal counsel delegate on a trip to China, providing counsel to Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed and the Metro Atlanta Chamber.

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Georgia State University College of Law,
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Agnes Scott College, (M.A.T.), 1993

Agnes Scott College, (B.A.), magna cum
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BAR ADMISSIONS

Georgia

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court for the Northern
District of Georgia

LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

European Services

Greater China and South East Asia

Immigration and Global Mobility Services

Immigration Pathfinder Program

Japanese Services

Labor and Employment

INDUSTRIES

Colleges and Universities

Financial Services

Healthcare

Professional and Community Involvement

Member, Georgia Lawyers for the Arts Board

Co-chair, Asian-Pacific Institute on Gender-Based Violence Board

Board member, Asian Pacific Institute on Gender-Based Violence

Member, Georgia Asylum and Immigration Network (GAIN) Advisory Board

Former co-chair, GAIN Executive Board

Former president, Georgia Asian Pacific American Bar Association

Former vice president of professional development, National Association of Asian American Professionals

Honors

Lawyers of Color Wonderful Women List, 2023

Dress for Success Atlanta Women EmpowHER honoree, 2023

The Best Lawyers in America, 2017-2024

Nation's Best, Lawyers of Color, 2020

Chambers USA, 2018-2023

GAIN's William E. Hoffmann, Jr. Service Award, 2017

Who's Who Legal Corporate Immigration, 2014-2016

International Who's Who of Corporate Immigration Lawyers, 2013

Leadership Atlanta Class, 2013

Named to Georgia Trend Magazine's Legal Elite, 2012, 2021

Most Powerful & Influential Women Award, National Diversity Council, 2012

Who's Who Legal, 2010

Georgia Super Lawyers, Rising Stars, 2010

Who's Who Among Business and Professional Achievers, 2009

Who's Who in Asian-American Communities, 2007

