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U.S. IMMIGRATION LIVE WEBINAR FOR CANADIANS IN NEW YORK TUESDAY MAY 12TH, 2026

Join CANY as we help you navigate current U.S. immigration issues. This webinar will be an interactive discussion addressing critical immigration topics for Canadians living and working in New York.

TOPICS

- “Hot Button Issues”: Policy changes and immigration risks/concerns in the context of the current administration.
- What will happen if the United States revokes USMCA? How will that affect Canadians living in the United States on work visas?
- Understanding the recent increase in work visa revocations and denials of admission.
- Updates on key U.S. work visas (TN, H-1B, L-1, E-1/E-2).
- Strategies for avoiding U.S. immigration mistakes: legal and practical advice on the most common issues for Canadians, including social media issues and searches of electronic devices.
- Insights and updates for employment and marriage based green cards.
- U.S. Citizenship (Naturalization): Recent Developments in Eligibility Requirements.

GUEST SPEAKERS



IAN J. GOÉS

CO-FOUNDER, SENIOR PARTNER &
HEAD OF CORPORATE IMMIGRATION PRACTICE GROUP

Ian Goés is a Partner and heads the Corporate Immigration Practice Group at Cumming & Partners. Ian principally advises on corporate and business immigration matters, and specializes in assisting companies and their employees resolve cross-border work and travel issues.

Ian is a recognized expert on corporate immigration matters for both the United States and Canada. He works with numerous Fortune 500 and multinational companies, in addition to mid-size and start-up corporations. Ian has extensive experience working with clients in most major industries.

Ian is a member of the New York State Bar Association, the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the Ontario Bar Association and the Canadian Bar Association. Ian has practiced law since 1997 and is a member in good standing of the New York Bar and the Law Society of Ontario.

Ian earned his Masters of Business Administration Degree from Nottingham University, England (2000), and his Bachelor of Laws Degree (With Honours) from Birmingham University, England (1996).



BARSHA HAMAL

PARTNER

Barsha Hamal is a Partner at Cumming & Partners, a Foreign Legal Consultant in Ontario, and a U.S. Immigration Attorney with extensive experience across a wide range of U.S. immigration matters.

Barsha advises startups, mid-size companies, multinational corporations, and skilled foreign nationals on complex U.S. immigration matters. She focuses on business and employment-based immigration, including work visas (E, H-1B, L-1, O-1, P-1, TN), Green Cards (EB-1, EB-2, EB-3, and family-based), I-9 compliance, and global mobility. She also has experience in asylum and family-based immigration and has represented clients before courts and appellate bodies.

Barsha is an Attorney-at-Law in good standing in Minnesota, holds a Certificate of Qualification from the National Committee on Accreditation, Federal Law Societies of Canada, and is a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) and the American Bar Association (ABA). She earned her Juris Doctor degree from the City University of New York School of Law (2013). Earlier in her career, she served as an adjunct professor of immigration and refugee law in Nepal and worked with the United Nations' International Organization for Migration (IOM).