



## **Meg Hobbins**



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How can we help?

Meg is a partner at Grossman Young & Hammond with over 16 years of experience handling complimmigration and international human rights matters. She focuses her practice on challenging perse



INTERPOL Red Notices and restoring U.S. travel privileges for individuals whose visas have been delayed, revoked, or denied.

Meg is an adept legal strategist with a keen understanding of how to approach U.S. agencies, INTERPOL, and international judicial institutions with high profile, politically sensitive cases. Her clients include entrepreneurs, current and former government officials, international organization employees, academics, and activists. Meg is known for successfully removing Red Notices, securing the full spectrum of U.S. immigration benefits, and seeking justice before the United Nations and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

Meg has successfully represented clients before numerous U.S. immigration courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals, preventing removal and obtaining lasting status. She has assisted clients with complicated backgrounds obtain all types of inadmissibility waivers, paving the way for visa and green card issuance. Meg advises permanent residents on avoiding green card abandonment and has restored residency for many accused of it. She is well-versed in the intricacies of U.S. citizenship law, including acquisition abroad, derivation through parents, and naturalization. Meg has also represented numerous diplomats whose children's citizenship is in question.

Meg has been recognized for her exceptional work by Chambers USA, Best Lawyers, Washingtonian Magazine, and Bethesda Magazine. She regularly presents and publishes on U.S. immigration and international law topics for professional organizations and bar associations.

Prior to private practice, Meg was a judicial law clerk and attorney advisor at the Houston, Baltimore, and York Immigration Courts, through the Department of Justice Attorney General's Honors Program. Meg also served as a Peace Corps volunteer in West Africa and worked with the Refugee Advice and Casework Service in Sydney, Australia.

## Representative Matters

- Meg represented the former finance minister of Suriname who became the victim of an illegitimate,
  politically motivated prosecution after his party lost national elections. Meg successfully challenged the
  INTERPOL Red Notice that sought her client's detention and extradition and submitted parallel filings
  before the U.N. High Commission for Human Rights and the Inter-American Commission on Human
  Rights.
- Meg represented a Venezuelan entrepreneur and his family who were deported at the airport and banned for five years after arriving on tourist visas while their immigrant visa applications were pending. Meg took on the matter and secured expedited waivers of inadmissibility, allowing the family to resume their visa process. When the Embassy later wrongfully rescinded the entrepreneur's employment-based petition, Meg presented compelling new evidence and had the petition reinstated. The family of four went from a traumatic deportation and entry ban to full U.S. permanent residency.
- Meg represented a Nigerian engineer wrongly accused of fraud by the U.S. government, in a matter that spanned eight years, multiple agencies, and numerous interviews and hearings. Meg successfully

prevailed in immigration court, overcoming the fraud allegations and securing lawful permanent residence for her client.

Meg has twice volunteered a week of her time at the US-Mexico border, helping detained mothers and
children navigate the U.S. asylum process. At the detention center in Dilley, Texas, Meg connected with a
young mother who fled horrific sexual abuse in Honduras. Meg took her case pro bono and won asylum
before the Philadelphia Immigration Court for mother and daughter on a novel theory of religious
persecution.

Education
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Accolades
Selected Publications
Selected Presentations

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