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OVERVIEW

For Christine, immigration law is personal. She takes a hands-on, thoughtful approach to every step of the process.

As a former corporate attorney for a multi-billion dollar company, Christine understands that in order for organizations to operate at their best, they need the best and brightest talent—which can mean hiring outside the U.S., or recruiting international workers and students. Christine works with organizations that hire foreign nationals, assisting them with:

• Sponsorship petitions and applications for work authorization

Had it not been for the immigration expertise of Husch Blackwell LLP, our top candidate might not have been secured. Kelli Meilink and Christine Fabin are experienced in the intricate details of the visa application process and have an extensive network to ensure positive results. They respond timely to inquiries and created a thorough visa application. They studied our institution, gaining an indepth knowledge of our mission; then successfully presented our foreign candidate as an unequalled applicant for the position.

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- Immigration policy development and training programs
- Regulatory compliance and I-9 due diligence
- Preparing nonimmigrant petitions, immigrant petitions, PERM and employment-based green cards
- Representation before U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and the Department of State

She's passionate about helping client companies thrive through their hiring practices, and finds it immensely rewarding to see a business grow thanks to her assistance with immigration law. Her aim is to tailor her legal strategies to the specific recruitment and business needs of each client.

Before joining the firm, Christine was counsel for a technology company, leading their multinational immigration and global mobility efforts. Previously, she worked as an attorney for a boutique immigration law firm in Kansas City, where she provided immigration support to small businesses, tech-focused startups, multi-national organizations, and companies in the healthcare, education and engineering industries.

Christine also finds great satisfaction in helping foreign nationals navigate the immigration process and join the U.S. workforce. As a first-generation Egyptian-American, she understands the huge impact immigration has on families: she's proud of the contributions her own family has made to the United States, and she's excited to help others do the same.

Experience

- Counseled large, multistate technology organization in obtaining and maintaining nonimmigrant and immigrant visas for foreign national employees.
- Completed H-1B petitions for employees for wide variety of companies, colleges and
 universities, health care organizations and other nonprofit organizations, and advised clients
 on issues related to maintaining H-1B status, including travel and visa issuance.
- Successfully prepared multiple L-1 intracompany transferee petitions for multinational company.
- Assisted client in planning and drafting immigration policies for human resource personnel
 and managers at multistate company with large number of hiring sites and assisted in
 evaluating I-9 protocol.

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Experience

- Successfully completed labor certification applications for engineers working at various subsidiaries of large manufacturing company.
- Advising corporate clients on pre-transaction and post-transaction immigration strategy related to corporate reorganization.
- Assisted startup AI software company with H-1B visas to significantly grow workforce, achieving a success rate of 71% (versus a national average of 28%).

Recognition

- Missouri Lawyers Media, POWER List for Immigration Law, 2024
- The Legal 500 United States
 - o Labor and employment: Immigration, Recommended lawyer, 2023-2025
- Missouri Bar Pro Bono Wall of Fame, 2019

Education

- J.D., Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark College
 - o Outstanding Clinical Advocate
 - o Gus J. Solomon, Inn of Court
- B.A., University of California, Berkeley

Admissions

Missouri

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Community Leadership

- Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, Centurions Leadership Program, Class of 2023
- Law360 2023 Immigration Editorial Advisory Board

^{*}Contact Christine to set up an in-person consultation by appointment in the Kansas City office.



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