

Shaun Staller

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LOCATED IN

Philadelphia, PA



MEET SHAUN

Shaun is a business immigration attorney with broad international experience who counsels individuals and businesses across all industries in navigating the complex U.S. immigration system. He focuses his practice on employment-based visas and related compliance and assists employers in developing comprehensive immigration strategies for their global workforce. He also works closely with foreign entrepreneurs seeking to start new enterprises or to invest in the U.S. in connection with securing immigration benefits.

Additionally, Shaun advises employers on employee documentation and compliance requirements and represents clients before federal agencies, including the Department of Homeland Security (USCIS), the Department of Labor, and the Department of State.

Shaun relies on his deep bench of practical experience and knowledge of the U.S. immigration landscape to formulate tailored strategies based on clients' actual circumstances and objectives. He can effectively translate the jargon and present requirements, potential obstacles, and timelines in a direct and accessible way and will also work to secure immigration status for dependent family members whenever feasible.

Shaun's practice includes virtually all aspects of business and family-based U.S. immigration law, including:

- Nonimmigrant visas (H-1B, L-1, O-1, E-2, TN, Business Visitors, and more)
- Immigrant visas/Permanent Residence (PERM, Extraordinary Ability, Multinational Managers, NIW, and more)
- Form I-9 Compliance & Audits
- Family-based immigration benefits

- Consular Processing & Adjustment of Status
- Waivers of Grounds of Inadmissibility

In his free time, Shaun loves to travel and has lived in Barcelona and San Juan, Puerto Rico. He enjoys learning new languages and is fluent in Spanish and Catalan.

EXPERIENCE

Shaun has years of experience representing individuals and corporate clients across a variety of industries in successfully achieving their real world goals within a complex and ever-changing immigration system.

Shaun's experience includes:

- Successfully prevailed on numerous Requests for Evidence/Motions to Reopen or Reconsider/Appeals to the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) in reversing adverse USCIS determinations.
- Selected to serve in-house on a secondment to global technology company during H-1B cap season to streamline processes.
- Developed savvy strategies to overcome issues in connection with complex new office establishment in connection with L-1 visa.
- Prepared waiver applications that were successful in waiving unlawful presence (I-601A), prior criminal convictions, and the I-751 signature requirement for a battered spouse, amongst other inadmissibility issues.

Prior to law school, Shaun worked as a public policy and media professional, helping entities to build coalitions on the ground and to achieve their legislative goals throughout Pennsylvania.

NEWS & INSIGHTS

Obermayer Attorneys Named to Pennsylvania 2024 Super Lawyers® and Rising Stars Lists®

May 20, 2024 by Hayley N. Purcell Sinkler, Stephanie Steckclair Tarantino, Melissa M. Blanco, Shaun Staller, Kellie A. McGowan, Michael A. Thom, Marcelina R. Policicchio, Mathieu J. Shapiro, Gary Samms, William J. Leonard, Stephanie H. Winegrad, Adam Tanker, Alina Chuklin, Tara Burns, Nina B. Stryker, Nicholas Poduslenko, Michael S. Pepperman, Nicole E. Norcross, Hillary J. Moonay, Thomas A. Leonard III, David L. Ladov, Samantha J. Koopman, Andrew J. Horowitz, Paul C. Heintz, Edmond M. George, Julie R. Colton, Michael E. Bertin

U.S. Supreme Court to Decide U.S. Citizens' Rights When a Consulate Denies a Spousal Visa

January 17, 2024 by Shaun Staller

Shaun Staller Presented at the 22nd Annual AILA New York Chapter Immigration Law Symposium

December 04, 2023 by Shaun Staller

Shaun Staller Recognized for his Work as Social Events & Networking Co-Chair of Philadelphia's LGBTQ+ Bar Association

November 29, 2023 by Shaun Staller

U.S. Departments of Homeland Security and State Accelerate ESTA Eligibility for Israeli Nationals, Effective Immediately

October 20, 2023 by Shaun Staller

Best Lawyers in America® 2024 Recognizes Obermayer

August 17, 2023 by Darwin R. Beauvais, Melissa K. Atkins, Stephanie Steckclair Tarantino, Shaun Staller, Amanda C. Frett, Nathan D. Fox, Kellie A. McGowan, Matthew S. Olesh, Michael A. Thom, Mathieu J. Shapiro, Gary Samms, Stephanie H. Winegrad, Shari B. Veisblatt, Adam Tanker, Alina Chuklin, Tara Burns, Robert I Whitelaw, Michael D. Vagnoni, Nina B. Stryker, Leslie B. Spoltore, Michelle L. Ringel, Nicholas Poduslenko, Hillary J. Moonay, David L. Ladov, Andrew J. Horowitz, Paul C. Heintz, Samantha J. Evian, Lawrence J. Tabas, Julie R. Colton, Michael E. Bertin

ACTIVITIES & HONORS

Shaun serves on the Board of Equality Forum, an LGBTQ civic organization geared toward education and civic engagement. He also serves on [Law360's 2023 Immigration Editorial Advisory Board](#), where he provides feedback on Law360's coverage and offers guidance on how best to shape future coverage.

He was recognized in the 2021 to 2024 Best Lawyers: Ones To Watch list. He was also selected for inclusion in Pennsylvania's Super Lawyers Rising Stars® (2020-2024).

Shaun's professional affiliations include:

- American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)
- Philadelphia LGBTQ+ Bar Association, Board Member

Awards Won*



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EDUCATION

Temple University Beasley School of Law, JD

Barcelona Institute of International Studies (IBEI), MA in International Relations

University of Pennsylvania, BA – *magna cum laude*

ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

CAPABILITIES

Labor & Employment

Immigration

Industry Focus

Financial Services

Health Care

Individuals & Private Clients

International Businesses

Local Governments & Municipal Authorities

Nonprofit Organizations

Real Estate & Construction

Universities & Secondary Schools