TBA Immigration Law Forum 2025

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This seminar features speakers from every type of government and non-profit work. The program is specifically designed both for experienced immigration lawyers and those who are newer to the practice area. The first half of the schedule is focused on updates, while the second half of the seminar focuses on activism and support.. The schedule is packed with speakers that are leaders in their fields, so don't miss this informative program!

8:30am - 9:00am CT	Registration
9:00am - 10:00am	Hot Topics & Policies in Immigration Law: State & Federal This session will cover federal and state-level activity on immigration policies, including legislation on public safety and privacy, with a focus on sanctuary cities, local cooperation with ICE, and the rescission of protected areas policies. Additionally, the session will address increased entry restrictions and the reintroduction of travel bans, along with enhanced enforcement measures/ I-9 compliance & worksite site visits and raids. We will both highlight and delve into the key issues for businesses, nonprofits, firms, and individuals in the era of Trump 2.0 immigration. Terry Olsen, Olsen Law Firm
10:00am - 11:00am	Past, Current & Future Immigration Bills in the Tennessee General Assembly This session will explore the evolution of immigration legislation in Tennessee, providing an overview of past, current, and anticipated future bills. Attendees will gain insights into how state-level immigration policies have shaped the lives of Tennessee's immigrant communities, as well as how upcoming legislative trends may impact the legal landscape. Yusuf Hakeem, Tenneessee House of Representatives
11:00am - 11:15am	Break

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11:15am – 12:15pm	 Promoting Economic Inclusion and Immigrant Integration: Policy and Practice This workshop aims to equip attorneys with the knowledge and resources to support immigrant integration and economic inclusion, focusing on the national landscape and state-level advancements to promote workforce and talent acquisitions strategies in other conservative leaning states. This session will delve into the latest advancements and practical strategies being implemented in states and localities utilizing employment-based visas and workforce integration as well as the critical link between economic inclusion and overall community prosperity in Tennessee and beyond. Natalie El-Deiry, World Education Services
12:15pm - 1:00pm	Lunch (Provided)
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Who Are "We The People"? Current Litigation Concerning Immigrants and Civil Rights Litigation update regarding lawsuits involving recent constitutional challenges to immigration enforcement actions. Attendees will learn the facts and legal arguments at issue as well as current procedural posture of cases. Lucas Cameron-Vaughn, American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Tennessee
2:00pm - 3:00pm	The Trump Administration & Immigrant Communities: How To Move Forward This presentation will explore the legal, ethical, and practical challenges associated with immigrants' rights advocacy in Tennessee in the current political moment. It will also discuss the role lawyers can play alongside other sectors of civil society to support immigrant communities, uphold the rule of law, and defend democratic institutions and values. Spring Miller, Tennessee Immigrant & Refugee Rights Coalition