William A. Stock

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William A. Stock (Bill) serves as Managing Partner and is a founding member of Klasko Immigration Law Partners, LLP, and is one of the country's leading immigration lawyers.

Bill handles all aspects of immigration law, emphasizing the obtaining of employment-based immigration benefits for clients, such as nonimmigrant visa classifications (H-1B, L-1, E-1 and E-2, TN, and O-1); permanent resident or "green card" status through Labor Certification or as immigrants of exceptional or extraordinary ability (EB-1, EB-2, and EB-3); investment-based immigration (EB-5); and unusual or complicated matters, such as physician J-1 waivers, visas for entrepreneurs, defense of enforcement proceedings under the I-9 worksite compliance, immigration-related unfair employment practices, and Department of Labor LCA compliance statutes. He also litigates in federal court, including mandamus and APA review actions.

Bill served as President of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), the 17,000-member national organization of immigration lawyers, in 2016-2017. He has long been active in the association at both the national and state levels, serving several terms on the Association's Board of Governors. In 2000, he received the Association's Joseph Minsky Award for outstanding accomplishments in immigration law.

A frequently invited speaker, he has addressed national conferences organized by AILA, NAFSA, SHRM, and other professional organizations, as well as a national training program for immigration judges. He is a member of the Editorial Board of the AILA Law

EDUCATION

University of St. Thomas (MN)
B.A. *summa cum laude* 1990

University of Minnesota School of Law, J.D. *magna cum laude* 1993

ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

PRACTICE AREAS

Corporate Immigration

EB-1 Immigration

Global Immigration

Immigration Litigation

EB-5 Immigration

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Journal and the Board of Directors of the Welcoming Center, a Pennsylvania nonprofit promoting inclusive economic growth through immigrant integration. In 2017, he was elected a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, an honor reserved for one percent of all lawyers. He has been included since 2004 in Best Lawyers in America (Woodward/White Inc.); included since 2006 in Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business (Chambers and Partners), Who's Who in American Law, and The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers. Bill is also featured as one of the top 20 practitioners in the area of Immigration Law by Lawdragon and is "AV" rated by Martindale-Hubbell.

A *summa cum laude* graduate of the University of St. Thomas (St. Paul, MN) (B.A. 1990), he received his law degree from the University of Minnesota (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1993), where he was a member of the *Order of the Coif.*

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

The representation of multinational and domestic corporations, assisting with development and implementation of immigration programs to meet their talent management needs while ensuring employee satisfaction;

Representing employees as well as self-sponsored immigrant scientist and investors in obtaining and reaching their immigrant goals;

Representing companies and individuals in immigrant-related administrative and federal court litigation, including defense enforcement actions by the Departments of Labor and Homeland Security, and obtaining immigration benefits unlawfully withheld through federal court review of agency actions; and

Consultation and outreach services to community organizations, foreign student advisors, and to attorneys.

ASSOCIATIONS

Welcoming Center for New Pennsylvanians, Board of Directors (2019 – present)

American Immigration Council, Board of Directors (2018 – present)

American Immigration Lawyers Association, President (2016 – 2017)

American Immigration Lawyers Association, Executive Committee (2011 – 2016)

Director, American Immigration Lawyers Association (2007 – 2011)

President, Philadelphia Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (2005 – 2007)

Board of Directors Nationalities Service Center (2000 – 20003)

National Chair, Young Lawyers Division, American Immigration Lawyers Association (1998 – 1999)

Adjunct Faculty Member, Villanova University School of Law

Foreign Student Advisor, University of Minnesota (1991 – 1993)

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Evolving or Regressing? What Agency Guidance Really Means in 2026, 2026 AILA Annual Conference, San Diego, CA (June 17, 2026)

Steep, Icy, and Unmarked: The New H-1B Terrain, AILA Rome District Chapter, Geneva, Switzerland (April 23, 2026)

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(1) Welcome and Closing Remarks (2) Meeting the Moment: Responding to F-1 and J-1 Challenges, 2026 Klasko Spring Seminar: Springing into Action, Philadelphia, PA (April 21, 2026)

The New World of Immigration Compliance: Advising Universities in an Era of Enforcement, NACUA's Winter 2026 Virtual CLE workshop, Webinar (January 30, 2026)

FDNS Site visits and ICE enforcement, LTIMindtree, Webinar (December 12, 2025)

Ethics: How Attorneys Can Protect Themselves While Fulfilling Their Duty to Effectively Advocate, 24th Annual AILA – New York Immigration Law Symposium , New York, NY (December 1, 2025)

Latest Immigration Updates: H-1B Fees, Entry Restrictions, and Gold Card Launch, Klasko Immigration Law Partners, Webinar (September 26, 2025)

Money Matters: Building Financial Strength Within Your Immigration Practice, 2025 AILA Fall Conference, Boston, MA (September 11, 2025)

International Law Students and Hiring Considerations, Association of Legal Administrators (ALA), Webinar (July 29, 2025)

Permanent Residence Strategies for Religious Workers, AILA Annual Conference, Denver, CO (June 18, 2025)

Welcome Remarks and Washington Update, 2025 KILP Spring Seminar, Philadelphia, PA (April 29, 2025)

Litigation Update: When to Go to Federal Court, 2025 KILP Spring Seminar, Philadelphia, PA (April 29, 2025)

The 2024 Presidential Election: What Can We Expect Moving Forward?, 2025 AILA Midwinter Conference, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico (January 17, 2025)

Creating Pathway for STEM Workers Through Non-Legislative Means, Conference on Immigration and Nationality Law, Austin, Texas (October 25, 2024)

Leveraging Technology to Add EB-5 to your Practice, 2024 AILA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL (June 14, 2024)

Limited Mindset: Utilizing Technology for Your Practice and Meeting Ethical Obligations, 2024 AILA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, (June 12, 2024)

Healthcare Recruitment Strategies and Visa Updates, 2024 KILP Spring Seminar for Universities and Healthcare Institutions, Philadelphia, PA (April 30, 2024)

Future Proofing Your Practice before It's Too Late, 2023 AILA Annual Conference, Orlando, FL (June 21, 2023)

Summer Sizzler: PERM Hot Topics, 2023 Klasko Webinar Series (June 14, 2023)

AILA Religious Workers Interest Group, Webinar (May 2023)

Sanctuary Cities, Villanova 2023 CARES Symposium, Villanova, PA (March 24, 2023)

Tackling Post-Pandemic Challenges, 44th Annual AILA S. Florida Immigration Law Update, Miami, FL (February 09, 2023)

Immigration Insights: 2023 H-1B Cap Season, KILP Webinar (January 2023)

Designing an Immigration Policy: Managing the Employee Experience, Klasko Immigration Law Partners Seminar, Philadelphia, PA, (October 25, 2022)

Everything You Need to Know About J-1 Waivers, Klasko Immigration Law Partners Seminar, Philadelphia, PA (October 25, 2022)

Legislative Updates, Beyond Borders: Conquering Immigration Challenges KILP Seminar (October 2022)

Navigating The Minefield of Dual Representation: Whose Questions Can Paralegals Answer Ethically? (Business And Family), 2022 AILA Paralegals Virtual Conference, Philadelphia, PA (August 10, 2022)

Introducing Essential Terms and Concepts, 2022 AILA Annual Conference on Immigration Law, New York (June 15, 2022)

Navigating Complex J-1 Exchange Visitor Issues in Subsequent Cases, AILA Philadelphia Chapter Virtual Conference, Webinar (April 22, 2022)

Green Card Priority Dates, Klasko Immigration Law Partners, Webinar Series (April 20, 2022)

The Organization As Client: Working with Businesses in Immigration Matters, AILA's Business Immigration Interest Section, Webinar (March 14, 2022)

The Future of Government Digitization, 2021 AILA Technology and Innovation Virtual Summit, Webinar (December 08, 2021)

The State of Recruiting Foreign Healthcare Workers, Klasko Immigration Law Partners,

Webinar Series (November 10, 2021)

Name, Image, and Likeness, Penn State – Main Campus, Webinar (October 14, 2021)

Employment-Based Green Cards: *PERM, EB-2, and EB-3*, AILA Virtual Paralegal Conference, Webinar (August 18, 2021)

Tricky Employment Issues for Foreign Nationals, UT Health San Antonio, University of Denver, University of Alabama, UT San Antonio, Webinar, (June 01, 2021)

Navigating H-1Bs in a Pandemic, AILA Rome Chapter, Webinar (May 12, 2021)

Gaining an Understanding of Corporate Formation and Structure, AILA Rome Chapter, Webinar (April 27, 2021)

United States Immigration Past, Present & Future – WCNP, The Welcoming Center – Solas Awards, Webinar (March 24, 2021)

DOL Updates, AILA South Florida 42nd Annual CLE, Webinar (February 26, 2021)

2021 H-1B Lottery: *Preparing for a New Administration*, Klasko Immigration Law Partners, Webinar (January 27, 2021)

Immigration Process Review for Recruiters, Lehigh Valley Health Network, Webinar (January 12, 2021)

Protecting Your Most Important Assets, Your People!, Interact x Miratech, Webinar (September 22, 2020)

Update From Washington: *Employer's Preview of Immigration Restrictions From The Administration*, Klasko Immigration Law Partners, Webinar (June 24, 2020)

Immigration Law Information, M&T Client Webinar, Webinar (April 29, 2020)

Immigration in the time of COVID-19, Klasko Immigration Law Partners, Webinar (April 16, 2020)

2020 H-1B Lottery Navigating the New Changes, Klasko Immigration Law Partners, H-1B Webinar (January 16, 2020)

Litigation Literacy: Options for Universities, Hospitals, and Research Institutions, Klasko Immigration Law Partners, Webinar (January 14, 2020)

AWARDS

Best Lawyers in America, Woodward and White (2004 – Present)

Chambers Global: The Worlds Leading Lawyers for Business, Chambers and Partners (2006 – Present)

Chosen as most highly regarded immigration lawyers in the world, *International Who's Who of Business Lawyers*

Featured as a top practitioner in the area of immigration Law by *Lawdragon*