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EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, William & Mary Law School, 2006: Executive Editor, *Journal of Women and the Law* ; Sports Law Achievement Award Recipient; Technology Augmented Trial Advocacy

Master's of Business Administration in Finance, University of Miami, 2001

University of Miami, 1999

ADMISSIONS

United States Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit, 2009

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, 2009

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, 2006

Supreme Court of Virginia, 2006

Executive Office for Immigration Review

United States Supreme Court, 2018

OVERVIEW

Annie Lahren is a Pender & Coward attorney and leader of the firm's immigration practice group. She focuses her practice in the areas of civil litigation, immigration, labor and employment and family law. Her civil litigation practice includes complex matters in state and federal court.

With her extensive experience in family law and employment law, Annie provides clients a depth of knowledge and understanding beyond the average immigration attorney. Immigration issues arise frequently throughout many areas of the law, and she provides guidance handling special issues presented by non-U.S. citizens. In addition to providing direct representation for clients, she has also serves in an advisory capacity for other attorneys and law firms presented with complex immigration matters.

Annie speaks regularly at continuing legal education seminars for the James Kent Inn of Court and other organizations.

REPRESENTATIVE CASES & TRANSACTIONS

Represented a large employer in obtaining H-1B work authorization and lawful permanent resident status for highly-skilled foreign employees.

Represented individuals detained by ICE and obtained relief from removal proceedings, including post-conviction modification of sentencing and plea agreement for lawful permanent resident in removal proceedings.

Represented numerous military members in both family law and immigration matters.

Represented individuals in applications and interviews before USCIS, including requests for waivers of the joint filing requirements for petitions to remove conditions on lawful permanent resident status.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Virginia State Bar Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Course Faculty Member, 2018-2021
- Virginia Women Attorneys Association: Board of Directors; Assistant Treasurer
- Virginia Women Attorneys Association, Hampton Roads Chapter, Past President 2013-2015
- James Kent American Inn of Court: Executive Committee; Past President 2014-2015
- American Immigration Lawyers Association
- Virginia Bar Association
- Virginia Beach Bar Association

HONORS & AWARDS

- AV® Preeminent™ Rated, Martindale-Hubbell® Peer Review Ratings™
- Best Lawyers in America, Family Law, 2018-2027
- Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2016-2018, Virginia Super Lawyers, 2023-2026
- Virginia's Legal Elite, Young Lawyer, 2016 & 2017, Immigration, 2019-2024, Civil Litigation 2025
- Coastal Virginia's Top Lawyers, Immigration Law, 2016-2026
- Leaders in the Law, 2019

- *Inside Business*

  Top 40 Under 40, 2017

- LEAD Hampton Roads Graduate, 2016

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Beachcombers Corvette Club, Co-Vice President of Events
- Neptune Festival, Friends of the Festival Committee