

What to Look for When You Search for an Immigration Attorney?



- 01 EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE**
 - Years of experience in the specific type of immigration law.
 - Specialization in the specific immigration matters you need assistance with (e.g., self-petitions without an employer to sponsor you, permanent residence for entrepreneurs, etc.).
- 02 TRACK RECORD OF SUCCESS**
 - Successful outcomes in cases similar to yours.
 - A low rate of cases denied or rejected
- 03 LICENSE AND CREDENTIALS**
 - Membership in professional associations related to immigration law (e.g., American Immigration Lawyers Association – AILA). This ensures that the lawyer has other resources to reach out to in the event that they do not know the answer to your questions.
- 04 CLIENT REVIEWS AND REFERENCES**
 - Positive client testimonials and references.
 - Online reviews and ratings on reputable platforms

05 COMMUNICATION SKILLS, AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY

- Excellent communication skills, including having staff that is proficient in your native language (if you do not speak English).
- Responsiveness to calls and emails through her Team or herself.
- Availability for meetings and consultations.
- Accessibility for updates and inquiries about your case

06 TRANSPARENT FEES

- Clear and reasonable fee structure.
- Willingness to provide a written fee agreement

07 LEGAL RESEARCH AND UPDATES

- Stays up-to-date with changes in the specific immigration laws and policies (specifically as they relate to self-petitions without an employer to sponsor you, permanent residence for entrepreneurs, etc.).
- Ability to provide timely advice based on the latest developments.

08 HONESTY AND INTEGRITY

- A reputation for honesty and ethical conduct.
- Willingness to provide realistic expectations for your case. Never trust a lawyer who “guarantees” your results, because a lawyer can never control the actions of the adjudicator

09 CLIENT-CENTERED APPROACH

- A commitment to understanding your unique circumstances.
- Tailoring legal strategies to your specific needs and goals



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SUPPORT STAFF

- A well-trained and competent support staff to assist with paperwork and administrative tasks.

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ACCESSIBILITY TO RESOURCES

- Access to a network of resources such as translators, experts, and contacts in the immigration field

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CONFIDENTIALITY

- A guarantee of client confidentiality and discretion

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AVAILABILITY OF CONSULTATION

- Offers an initial consultation to assess your case and discuss your options.s.

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CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT

- A written agreement outlining the scope of services, fees, and responsibilities

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CASE MANAGEMENT

- Effective case management and organization of documents



Remember that choosing the right immigration attorney is crucial for a successful immigration process. Conduct thorough research, meet with potential attorneys, and ask questions to ensure you select someone who can effectively represent your interests. Especially for the types of self-petitions and cases for entrepreneurs, which our firm has a high success rate, these are unique cases that take a high level of strategizing for winning cases.

We wish you the best of luck and we look forward to serving you if you choose to return to us.

Sincerely,

Zoe and the Zhang-Louie Immigration Team

