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Partner Colleen Caden, chair of Pryor Cashman’s Immigration Group, is widely recognized as one of the country’s top immigration lawyers.

She represents clients in the pharmaceutical, media, consumer products, consulting, and food and beverage industries, among others, as well as the professional sports, arts, and entertainment fields. Exclusively practicing immigration law for 20 years, Colleen uses her deep knowledge of the field to offer creative, strategic solutions to her clients.

Skilled in all aspects of immigration and nationality law, Colleen helps employers and their employees comply with the U.S. Department of Labor and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services regulations. She has extensive experience advising clients on:

- The development and implementation of immigration programs and policies
- Strategic long- and short-term immigration planning to meet unique workforce requirements
- Immigration issues related to changing corporate structures and international relocations and expansions

A frequent speaker on U.S. business immigration issues, Colleen regularly shares her insight on topics ranging from temporary visa petitions to permanent residency applications with management executives and in-house counsel.

The “Go-To” Attorney for Sports Immigration Matters

Colleen has one of the country’s leading professional sports practices and is retained to represent professional sports teams, leagues, athletes, and professional staff in immigration-related matters. She advises on issues that range from hiring foreign athletes to play professionally in the U.S., to managing international travel issues, to obtaining employment authorization for coaches and other sports professionals. Colleen also conducts immigration training for professional sports leagues.

Recognizing that immigration issues often demand immediate and decisive action, Colleen is committed to being accessible to her clients whenever they need her. She also works with her Pryor Cashman colleagues to provide clients with a seamless legal experience when they require counsel in matters such as tax, corporate, intellectual property, family law, and real estate.

Services

- Immigration
- International

- Sports
- Interactive + Gaming

Education

- Brooklyn Law School (J.D., 1999)
- New York University (M.A., 1993)
- New York University (B.A., 1991)

Recognition

- Recognized as a leading immigration attorney by *Chambers USA* (2016-25) and *Chambers Global* (2025-26)
- Named to *Crain's New York Business'* "Notable Women in Sports" list (2022)
- Named one of the *Lawdragon* 500 Leading Lawyers in America (2026), 500 Leading U.S. Corporate Employment Lawyers - Immigration (2020-23); and one of the 100 Leading Immigration Lawyers (2024-25)
- Named a top immigration attorney by *Best Lawyers in America* (2011-26)
- Recognized as a leading immigration attorney by *The Legal 500 US* (2015-21)
- Named a "Trailblazer" in immigration law by the *National Law Journal* (2019)
- Named among the "Most Powerful Employment Attorneys" by *Human Resource Executive* and *Lawdragon* (2012-20)
- Named to the *Super Lawyers – New York Metro* list for Immigration (2011-25)
- Named among the top 100 "Leading Women Lawyers in New York City" by *Crain's* (2018)
- Named a "Female Powerbroker" by *Law360* (2014)
- Named to *Super Lawyers* "Top 50 Women Lawyers" list (2012-13)
- Received "Alumni Award for Excellence in the Practice of Law" from Brooklyn Law School's Legal Association for Women (2014)

Community

- Women's Leadership Circle, Brooklyn Law School
- President, Brooklyn Law School Alumni Association

Admissions

- New York, 2000
- New Jersey, 1999

Professional Affiliations

- American Immigration Lawyers Association

Academic Achievements

- While at Brooklyn Law School, Colleen served as Articles Editor of *The Journal of Law and Policy* and was Vice President of the Moot Court Honor Society.

Publications

May 14, 2026

Important Updates on USCIS Adjudication Hold and Implementation of New FBI Security Checks

May 11, 2026

New State Department Guidance Introduces Asylum-Related Questions Impacting Nonimmigrant Visa Adjudications

April 20, 2026

Form I-9 Compliance Alert: Common Errors Now Carry Greater Risk

March 16, 2026

Delays in Visa Processing in Several Countries Due to Conflict in Middle East

January 22, 2026

Pause on Issuance of Immigrant Visas (i.e., Permanent Residence or “Green cards”) for Nationals of 75 Countries Goes Into Effect January 21, 2026

January 20, 2026

U.S. Department of State Expands List of Countries Subject to Visa Bonds for B1/B2 Visas

January 15, 2026

Preparing for the New H-1B Cap Lottery Based on Wage-Level Selections

January 5, 2026

Trump Administration Pauses Diversity Visa Program

December 18, 2025

Trump Administration Expands Travel Restrictions to Twenty Additional Countries

December 9, 2025

U.S. Department of State to Expand Social Media Vetting for H-1B Visa Applicants and Dependents

December 4, 2025

USCIS Pauses Immigration Benefits Requests for Individuals from Designated High-Risk Countries

November 14, 2025

Planning for International Holiday Travel: Guidance for Foreign Nationals, Green Card Holders, and U.S. Citizens

October 31, 2025

Department of Homeland Security Ends Automatic Extension of Employment Authorization Documents (EADs), with Limited Exceptions

October 21, 2025

Updates Regarding Presidential Proclamation Impacting H-1B Workers: Latest USCIS Guidance

October 8, 2025

USCIS Changes Naturalization Civics Test, Reverts to Prior Question Bank

October 1, 2025

Immigration Impacts of the Federal Government Shutdown

September 26, 2025

Updates Regarding Presidential Proclamation Impacting H-1B Workers: One Week Later

September 20, 2025

Breaking News: USCIS and CBP Provide Clarification on Travel Restrictions for H-1B Workers

September 9, 2025

U.S. Department of State Restricts Third-Country Processing of Nonimmigrant Visas

June 11, 2025

Social Security Administration Pauses Mailing of SSNs for Immigration-Based Applications

June 5, 2025

Trump Administration Announces Travel Ban for 12 Countries, Restrictions for 7 Countries

May 29, 2025

International Summer Travel: Key Considerations For Foreign Nationals, Green Card Holders, and U.S. Citizens

May 22, 2025

USCIS Updates I-9 Handbook to Reflect Extended Cap-Gap Extension for F-1 Students

May 19, 2025

Weinstein Profiled in Law.com's "How I Made Partner" Series

Law.com

May 15, 2025

Malta Citizenship by Investment on Pause Due to European Court of Justice Ruling

April 3, 2025

How to Prepare for a Fraud Detection and National Security (FDNS) Immigration Workplace Visit

March 19, 2025

Tentative List of Countries for Potential Travel Ban and Travel Restrictions

March 14, 2025

The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services and Department of Homeland Security to Collect Social Media Identifiers on Immigration Forms

March 13, 2025

New DHS Rule Amends Alien Registration Requirements Effective April 11, 2025; Implications for Canadian Nationals

March 11, 2025

State Department Ban on Visas for Transgender Athletes: Policy and Implications for Sports in the U.S.

March 10, 2025

Preparing for Possible Travel Bans and Consular Closures

March 6, 2025

DOJ Memo Signals Aggressive Immigration Enforcement with Implications for Employers and Noncitizens

March 6, 2025

New Zealand Government Updates Its Investor Visa Program

March 5, 2025

U.S. Department of State Updates Interview Waiver Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Visa Applications at U.S. Consulates and Embassies

March 4, 2025

New Immigration Registration Process Imposes Requirements on Child Visa Holders on their 14th Birthday

February 25, 2025

New Gender Rules for U.S. Passports

February 24, 2025

USCIS Pauses Adjudication on all Immigration Applications for Certain Parolees

February 14, 2025

Noncitizens Must Carry Proof of U.S. Immigration Status FAQs for Employers and Employees

February 7, 2025

USCIS No Longer Required to Adjudicate Dependent and Principal Applications Together - Considerations for H-4 EAD Holders and Their Employers

January 31, 2025

Changes Ahead for PERM/Labor Certification in New Jersey

January 27, 2025

Suspension of Visa Issuance at U.S. Embassy in Colombia

January 24, 2025

Preparing for the Fiscal Year 2026 H-1B Cap Season

December 11, 2024

Breaking News: U.S. Department of State Removes Over 30 Countries from the J-1 Exchange Visitor Skills List

November 7, 2024

Business Immigration Update: Planning for the Second Trump Administration

August 28, 2024

Update: New Parole in Place Program for Spouses and Stepchildren of U.S. Citizens Halted by Federal Court

By Praveena Nallainathan and Avram Morell

February 5, 2024

Increased USCIS Filing Fees Go Into Effect April 1, 2024

February 1, 2024

FY2025 H-1B Lottery Registration Opens March 6, 2024

January 16, 2024

Domestic Visa Renewal Pilot Program to Launch in January 2024

October 20, 2023

October 2023 Immigration Updates

July 17, 2023

Important Immigration Compliance Updates and International Travel Reminders for Foreign Nationals

May 8, 2023

Important I-9 Updates for May 2023

October 14, 2022

Yet Again, DHS Extends I-9 Flexibilities Related to COVID-19; Current I-9 Form Version

August 23, 2022

USCIS Reaches FY2023 H-1B Cap

April 13, 2022

I-94 Records Now Serve as Proof of Work Authorization for Certain Nonimmigrant Spouses

April 11, 2022

USCIS Implements Risk-Based Approach for Conditional Permanent Resident Interviews

February 10, 2022

H-1B Lottery Registration Opens March 1

November 15, 2021

Historic USCIS Settlement Agreement Reached to Ease Certain H-4 and L-2 Work Permit Processes and USCIS Expands to E Spouses

October 27, 2021

White House Advances Safe Resumption of Global Travel During COVID-19

October 18, 2021

Biden Administration to Lift COVID-19 Travel Bans for Fully Vaccinated Foreign Nationals

July 7, 2021

Consular National Interest Exceptions to the COVID-19 Travel Ban to Remain Valid for 12 Months and for Multiple Entries

U.S. Imposes Ban On Travelers From India

April 2, 2021

Expiration of Presidential Proclamation Banning Certain H-1B, H-2B, J-1, and L-1 Nonimmigrant Applicants

March 4, 2021

State Department Rescinds Travel Ban Exceptions for Many Travelers from the European Schengen Area, UK, and Ireland

June 23, 2020

Trump Issues Executive Order Suspending New Work Visas for Several Employment-based Categories Through End of 2020

May 18, 2020

ICE Extends Flexibility in I-9 Compliance Requirements in Response to COVID-19

April 23, 2020

The Six Key Takeaways from the President's Executive Order on Immigration

March 31, 2020

USCIS Announces Temporary Suspension of Premium Processing for All I-129 and I-140 Petitions

March 30, 2020

DHS Issues Special Guidance Regarding Requirements Associated With Form I-9

March 18, 2020

Update to Coronavirus Impact on Global Mobility

December 10, 2019

H-1B Cap – Electronic Registration Process

November 25, 2019

Changes to U.S. Visa Validity for French Citizens

November 19, 2019

Plan Early for International Holiday Travel

November 7, 2019

Premium Processing Fee to Increase on December 2

August 28, 2019

Form I-9 Valid Beyond Current August 31, 2019 Expiry Date

March 14, 2019

USCIS Implements Biometrics and Additional Requirements for Form to Extend/Change Status

March 13, 2019

Premium Processing Now Available for H-1B Petitions

January 31, 2019

Department of Homeland Security Announces Final Rule Amending Regulations for H-1B Cap

December 7, 2018

Plan Early for International Holiday Travel

December 3, 2018

Department of Homeland Security Announces Proposal for H-1B Cap Pre-Registration System

October 22, 2018

Proposed Pre-Registration Rule for H-1B Cap Lottery

August 30, 2018

USCIS Extends and Expands Suspension of Premium Processing for H-1B Petitions

April 13, 2018

USCIS Announces Number of H-1B Petitions Filed for Fiscal Year 2019 Cap

March 21, 2018

Premium Processing Suspended for H-1B Cap Cases

November 29, 2017

Foreign Nationals Advised to Plan Early for International Holiday Travel

November 7, 2017

I-9 Scam Alert – USCIS Does Not Request Forms I-9 Via E-mail

October 6, 2017

President Trump Issues Indefinite Travel Ban: What Employers and Foreign Nationals Need to Know

October 5, 2017

Premium Processing Reinstated for All H-1B Petitions

August 30, 2017

In-Person Interviews To Be Required for Employment-Based Green Card Applications

July 17, 2017

Newly-Released I-9 Form Will Be Mandatory Come September

June 29, 2017

SCOTUS Permits Continued Travel for Nationals of “Travel Ban” Countries with U.S. Ties

June 22, 2017

U.S. Department of State Issues New Supplemental Visa Form

March 6, 2017

Premium Processing Suspended on All H-1B Petitions

February 16, 2017

I-9 Compliance Guidance Updated by USCIS

February 10, 2017

Ninth Circuit Rules Against President Trump’s Travel Ban

February 6, 2017

U.S. District Court Suspends President Trump's Executive Order on Immigration

January 31, 2017

Who Is Covered by Trump's Executive Order Banning Entry into the United States

November 18, 2016

New "Smart" I-9 Form Released By USCIS

November 15, 2016

Now What? The Potential Impact of the U.S. Election on Business Immigration

November 7, 2016

Caden & Poller Reveal How Divorce Can Impact Immigration Status in NYLJ Article

November 3, 2016

Caden and Toner Pen Article on Navigating H-2B Visa Program for Blood-Horse

November 2, 2016

USCIS Immigration Filing Fees Set to Increase on December 23, 2016

August 4, 2016

Deadline Approaching to Apply for 7 Month Extension of STEM OPT

July 22, 2016

EB-1 & EB-2 Retrogression in the August 2016 Visa Bulletin

July 21, 2016

Monetary Penalties For Immigration Violations to Increase - 3 Ways Employers Can Prepare

June 16, 2016

Long Wait For Visa Appointments in India

March 16, 2016

Department of Homeland Security Expands STEM OPT Program, Beginning May 10, 2016

February 22, 2016

Caden and Kleyman Author "5 Employer Tips for Managing the New Visa Waiver Program" Law360 Article

January 27, 2016

U.S. Government Implements Limitations on Visa Waiver Program

December 8, 2015

Plan Early for International Holiday Travel

September 11, 2015

USCIS and Department of State Announce New Procedures for Determining Immigrant Visa Availability and Eligibility to File for Adjustment of Status

July 13, 2015

USCIS Begins Premium Processing H-1B Extensions Today

June 19, 2015

Technical Problems at State Department Delay Issuance of Visas Around the World Into Foreseeable Future

May 20, 2015

USCIS Temporarily Suspends Premium Processing of H-1B Extensions

April 14, 2015

USCIS Announces Record Number of H-1B Petitions Filed for 2015 Cap

February 24, 2015

H-4 EAD Applications to be Accepted on May 26

November 21, 2014

President Obama's Executive Order on Immigration - What Does This Mean For Employers?

November 20, 2014

Plan Now for International Holiday Travel

August 27, 2014

Avoiding Visa Delays for US-Bound Pro Athletes

March 5, 2014

Reminder to Clients to Prepare H-1B Petitions

June 1, 2011

Government Cracks Down on Employers for Paperwork Violations

January 21, 2011

Export Attestation for Form I-129