



# Rosanna Berardi

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## Education

- University at Buffalo School of Law, JD
- Canisius College, *Magna Cum Laude*, BA

## Practices & Industries

- Canada-US Cross-Border
- Immigration

## Admitted to Practice

- New York
- New Jersey
- District of Columbia

## Biography

Rosanna is the managing partner of Berardi Immigration Law, a boutique immigration firm in Buffalo, New York. Through a strategic affiliation between the firms, Rosanna serves Barclay Damon clients as immigration counsel, providing representation and guidance to firm clients in immigration and cross-border law matters. A former US Immigration and Naturalization Service immigration inspector and trial attorney, she has extensive experience handling emergency and complex cases, leveraging professional networks at agencies, embassies, and consulates around the world to benefit clients and bring cases to effective conclusions.

Rosanna represents businesses, colleges and universities, government entities, individuals, and not-for-profit agencies in all immigration matters, including corporate services and support; green card and US citizenship; marriage and cross-border relationships; working in the United States, including B-1 and B-2, E-1 and E-2, E-3, H-1B, L-1, O-1, P, and TN status; and criminal waivers.

## Bar Associations

- Bar Association of Erie County
- New York State Bar Association

## Selected Memberships & Affiliations

- Barclay Damon's Women's Forum
- American Chamber of Commerce, Peel-Halton-Niagara Region, Director
- American Immigration Lawyers Association, Customs & Border Protection Liaison Committee Chair
- New York State Committee on Women in the Law, Member
- Women's Business Enterprise National Council
- Women-Owned Law

## Prior Experience

- US Immigration and Naturalization Service, Trial Attorney
- US Immigration and Naturalization Service, Immigration Inspector

## Selected Community Activities

- Kevin Guest House, Volunteer
- Ronald McDonald House, Volunteer
- Special Spaces of Buffalo, Volunteer
- Women's Business Center at Canisius College, Forum Advisory Group Member

## Selected Honors

- *Inc.*, Female Founders 200, 2023
- Women Owned Law, Woman Legal Entrepreneur of the Year, 2020
- *Buffalo Business First*, Woman of Influence, 2016
- *Buffalo Business First*, 40 Under 40, 2011

## Selected Speaking Engagements

- University at Buffalo School of Management 65th Tax Institute, "International"
- 10th Annual Northern Border United States/Canada Immigration Law Conference, "Emerging Ethical Issues in Immigration: Data Privacy, GDPR, Cross-Border Data Protection, and Cybersecurity"
- Innovation Guelph, "Exporting to the United States"
- WBASNY-Criminal Law Committee Meeting, "DUI/DWI to Canada"
- New York State Bar Association Committee on Cannabis Law, Practical Implications of Decriminalized Marijuana for the Legal Practitioner CLE, "Canada Legalizes Marijuana: Implications for Immigration Law and Lawyers with Cross-Border Practices"

## Selected Media

- *Good Morning America*, "ICE Memo Allows Agents to Enter Homes Without Judicial Warrant: Whistleblower Complaint"
- *ABC News Live*, "US to Require Tourist Social Media History"; "Do You Have to Open Your Door for ICE? Immigration Attorney Answers"; "Know Your Rights: What to Do If You Encounter ICE"; "What Are the Legal Implications of ICE Actions in Minnesota"
- *Forbes*, "How This First-Generation Immigrant Walked Away From Her Dream Job—and Built a Successful Seven-Figure Business"
- *Buffalo Business First*, "What You Need to Know About Nexus Confusion at the Border"
- Voice of America News, "Foreign Students Anxious Over Immigration Order"
- Bustle, "What the SCOTUS Travel Ban Decision Means for Immigrants and Refugees"
- Bloomberg Law Daily Labor Report, "Small Shift in Handling Some Canadian Visas Could Make Big Waves"

## Selected Alerts & Blog Posts

- Traveling to Canada Under the Vaccinated Traveler Exemption
- COVID-19: Travel Restrictions Between the United States and Canada
- Your iPhone at the US Border
- Current Rules and Regulations for Entering the United States During the COVID-19 Pandemic

- COVID-19 Networking: Focus on Existing Clients

## Selected Podcasts

- *Barclay Damon Live: Labor & Employment Podcast*— "Immigration Focus, Part 3: Tips for Hiring Foreign Nationals, With Rosanna Berardi"
- *Barclay Damon Live: Labor & Employment Podcast*— "Immigration Focus, Part 1: How to Sponsor an Employee, With Rosanna Berardi"
- *Barclay Damon Live: Labor & Employment Podcast*— "Best Practices for Crossing the Canada-US Border, With Rosanna Berardi"