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David Grunblatt is co-head of the Immigration & Nationality Group in the Labor & Employment Law Department.

David provides advice on all types of immigration law issues to corporations from a broad range of industries, including financial services, media and publishing, as well as luxury brand retailers. He counsels his clients on policies and programs to facilitate the hiring and transferring of foreign nationals and international personnel, using the full array of nonimmigrant and immigrant visa categories.

David is an established authority on the I-9 program, other recordkeeping and compliance programs necessitated under immigration and nationality laws, and complex immigration issues resulting from mergers, acquisitions and other corporate changes. His stature in the field of immigration law is reflected by his consistent "Band One" ranking in *Chambers USA*, in which clients praise him as "the dean of immigration" with "excellent judgment and perspective on how business is conducted."

For 30 years David also has advised corporations, high-net-worth individuals and not-for-profit organizations on personal immigration issues, including family immigration, exclusion and removal (deportability), U.S. investment and tax-related matters.

David draws on his broad knowledge and experience to develop, train and supervise his talented and capable team of lawyers and legal assistants. In recognition of his skills in this area, he received the Sam Williamson Award from the American Immigration Lawyers Association for his outstanding efforts in providing mentoring assistance to immigration lawyers.

Prior to joining Proskauer, David was a partner and head of the corporate immigration practice at Wildes, Weinberg, Grunblatt & Wildes, P.C., where he practiced for more than 20 years.

David has held numerous leadership positions in the immigration and nationality law bar. He lectures and writes extensively on the subject of immigration and nationality law for many notable U.S. seminars and publications, including the NJICLE Forum, the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the *New York Law Journal*, the *New Jersey Law Journal* and *The Global Legal Post (UK)* and PLI. David is also sought after by major publications for commentary on current immigration law issues.

A member of Proskauer's Pro Bono Initiative Committee, David personally works on many pro bono matters in addition to supervising almost all of the firm's pro bono immigration work. He has been honored with the Empire State Counsel Silver Supporter Award for his extensive pro bono service.

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#### Practices

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Immigration, Global Employment & Immigration, International Private Client Services, Private Client Services

#### Education

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New York University School of Law, LL.M., 1983

New York University School of Law, J.D., 1977

Brooklyn College, B.A., 1973

#### Admissions & Qualifications

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New York

## Court Admissions

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U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. District Court, New York, Eastern District

U.S. District Court, New York, Southern District

## Memberships

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American Immigration Lawyers' Association

New York County Lawyers Association (Former Chair of Committee on Immigration & Nationality Law)

New York State Bar Association (Former Chair of Committee on Immigration and Nationality Law)

American Immigration Lawyers' Association (Liaison Committee to United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Headquarters, Former Chair of Vermont Service Center Liaison Committee, Former Chair of New York District Liaison Committee, Former Chair of National Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility)

Member, Practical Law Company Advisory Board - Labor & Employment

## Awards & Recognition

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JD Supra Readers' Choice: Immigration 2020

Chambers USA: New York: Immigration (Star Individual) 2017

Chambers USA: New York: Immigration (Band 1) 2007-2016, 2018-2020

Chambers USA: Nationwide: Immigration (Band 1) 2013-2020

Chambers Global: USA: Immigration: Business 2009-2020

The Legal 500 United States: Hall of Fame 2017-2020

The Legal 500 United States: Labor & Employment: Immigration 2009-2016, 2019-2020

New Jersey Super Lawyers 2006-2019

Best Lawyers in America 1995-2020

"New York Area's Best Lawyers," New York Magazine

International Who's Who Legal: Corporate Immigration

Empire State Counsel Silver Supporter Award, 2011-2012