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William Schiller represents individuals, corporate, and university clients in a broad array of immigration matters. Many of the clients he represents are professors, researchers, scientists and post-doctoral scholars who apply for permanent residence as outstanding researchers and professors, and via national interest waiver and extraordinary ability immigration petitions. In addition, William's law practice involves the representation of highly-skilled professionals and individuals in a wide range of non-immigrant visa matters, as well as family-based immigration involving applications for permanent residence in the United States, asylum matters, removal, naturalization, consular processing, and other complex areas of immigration law.

As universities, medical centers, international students, faculty and postdoctoral scholars face increasingly complex and evolving immigration policies, William also leads Hinshaw's Higher Education Immigration Team.

William lectures and publishes extensively on immigration law, and his client base is national and worldwide. He is an adjunct professor at Northwestern University, where he teaches a senior-level course on international human rights and U.S. refugee law.

Professional Affiliations

- American Immigration Lawyers Association
- Atlantic Council
 - Experts' Coalition
- Chicago Bar Association
 - Immigration and Nationality Law Committee, Former Co-Chair
- Illinois State Bar Association

Honors & Awards

- "Pro Bono Leadership" Award, Midwest Immigrant & Human Rights Center (now NIJC) and the American Bar Association
- Recognized as a "Superb Attorney" by *Avvo*
- Recipient of "Client Choice" Award, *Avvo*
- Recognized by his peers as a "Leading Lawyer," in the areas of Immigration Law: Employment and Immigration Law: Individual, 2013 – 2023

Practices

Immigration
Labor & Employment

Industries

Education

Education

LL.M., International Business Law, King's College London, 1991

J.D., Loyola University Chicago School of Law, 1987

B.A., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1984

Admissions

Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois



- Recognized on the Super Lawyers list by *Illinois Super Lawyers* magazine, 2005 – 2024

Presentations

- Co-Presenter, "LIVE WEB - 2024 Immigration Law Update: Effectively Representing Immigration Clients and Analyzing Immigration Matters in a Volatile World," Illinois State Bar Association, Webinar, January 16, 2024
- Co-Presenter, "The Garage" – Northwestern University's Program for Entrepreneurs, Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, November 15, 2023
- "Immigration Pathways for Students and Scholars," University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, November 14, 2023
- "Pathways to Permanent Residence," Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, November 2, 2023
- Co-Presenter, "Immigration Year in Review," Hinshaw's 27th Annual Labor & Employment Seminar, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, October 19, 2023

Publications

- Co-Author, "Employment-Based Immigration: The First Three Preferences," *Navigating the Fundamentals of Immigration Law*, 2022 – 2023 Ed., 2020 – 2021 Ed., 2019 – 2020 Ed., 2018 – 2019 Ed., 2017 – 2018 Ed.

Community/Civic Activities

- Immigration Equality, Pro Bono Attorney
- Immigration Project, Former Vice President and Board Member
- Leadership Council of the National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC), Former Member and Co-Chair