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legal expertise

Brian works closely with multinational corporations, major production studios, and talent and management agencies to devise creative immigration strategies for executives, production teams, on-screen talent in film and television, musicians, athletes, and artists to work on multi-million dollar projects in the United States. As an immigration attorney and trusted advisor on global mobility matters for leading companies in such sectors as entertainment, fashion, design, cosmetics, and videogames, he counsels on complex labor and employment issues for foreign nationals.

A graduate of UC Berkeley's Legal Studies program, Brian's love for travel inspired him to also pursue law and business studies at Melbourne Law School (Australia) and at Keio University (Japan) on the Monbukagakusho Scholarship. He then returned to the US, ready to channel his international experience into helping professionals from other countries to live and work here on exciting opportunities. Brian really enjoys getting to understand his clients' diverse backgrounds/industries and the projects that they are working on in order to present a comprehensive story and compelling case for them.

Additionally, Brian always looks to give back to his community and champion diversity through leadership roles — as a DEI Liaison with the American Immigration Lawyers Association, as a Board Member of the Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association (the oldest AAPI Bar Association in the nation), and through service on our firm's Pro Bono Committee. He also believes that it's important to help to mentor the next generation, frequently sharing insights about the immigration process with young entrepreneurs and talent, as well as serving as a mentor with bar associations and his alma mater.

representative matters

- Counseled studios, talent/management agencies, and production teams to secure emergency visas for major, multi-million dollar network productions.

practice areas

corporate & business transactions
immigration
labor & employment
immigration
specialties
fashion industry
video game

admissions

California
New York

education

- J.D., Melbourne Law School (Australia)
- Study Abroad, Keio University (Japan)
- B.A., University of California, Berkeley

languages

- Cantonese
- Japanese
- Mandarin
- Spanish

other career experience

- Law Clerk, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles (LAFLA)

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- Advised high-level executives and in-house counsel on labor and employment issues for foreign nationals, such as work authorization and I-9 compliance issues.
- Successfully responded to numerous requests for evidence and received approvals for executives, talent, and critical personnel (O-1, EB-1, L-1, TN, E-2, H-1B, P-1, etc.).

honors & awards

- "Ones to Watch," *Best Lawyers in America*® in Immigration Law (2024-2026)
- "Southern California Rising Stars," *Super Lawyers* (2022-2024)
- Japanese Government Monbukagakusho Scholarship Recipient
- Certificate of Recognition for pro bono community service and volunteerism, Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association and Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (2023)

professional, business and civic affiliations

- "Southern California Rising Stars," *Super Lawyers* (2022-2025)
- Member, Century City Bar Association Board of Governors (2025)
- Member, Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association Board of Governors (2024-2025), Pro Bono Committee and Networking Committee
- Southern California DEI Liaison and Member, American Immigration Lawyers Association (2024-2025)
- Member, National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Labor and Employment Committee (2024-2025)

headlines

37 MSK Attorneys Named Among *The Best Lawyers in America*® for 2026
Best Lawyers, August 21, 2025

13 MSK Attorneys Named to the 2025 Edition of Southern California *Super Lawyers*
February 18, 2025

34 MSK Attorneys Named Among *The Best Lawyers in America*© for 2025
August 15, 2024

Two MSK Attorneys Named to the List of 2024 Southern California *Super Lawyers* "Rising Stars"
Super Lawyers, June 11, 2024



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August 17, 2023

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June 6, 2023

client alerts

Major Changes Coming Soon To USCIS Fees
MSK Client Alert, February 15, 2024

Department of State Pilot Program – Limited Stateside H-1B Visa Renewal
MSK Client Alert, January 2, 2024

REAL ID – Does one really need it?
MSK Client Alert, August 30, 2023

events & speaking engagements

MSK's 2025 Employment Law "Year in Review" Seminar
February 20, 2025

IMLS DEI Immigration Law Panel, organized by American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)
April 11, 2024

JusticeCorps Life After AmeriCorps Panel
April 23, 2022

Founders in Education Sub-Community at Harvard Innovation Lab; presented to Harvard student entrepreneurs and held a workshop