



Dear Colleagues:

In New York City, 1946, 20 attorneys founded what would later become the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) to advance the practice of immigration law, promote reform, facilitate justice, and elevate the standards of the field.

This June, we will return to the city where it all began to celebrate AILA's 75th anniversary during the 2022 AILA Annual Conference on Immigration Law (AC22) and we would be honored if you would join us.

This is our first in-person Annual Conference since COVID-19 turned the world upside down. No industry was left unaffected by the ramifications of the pandemic, changing how we live and work, shifting our priorities, and introducing monumental backlogs across government agencies. A major component of this year's program will be dedicated to succeeding despite those changes, moving forward in this changed professional land-scape, and maintaining your own well-being through it all.

We are also a year into the Biden presidency and now have a firmer grasp on how this administration addresses immigration issues, the positive developments that have been made to rescind harmful policies, and the challenges that remain. AC22's jam-packed four days provide ample opportunities to bolster your legal knowledge, enhance and refine strategies, and discover new and creative ways to defend your clients with the help of your fellow immigration practitioners.

It has been my pleasure to serve as the President of AILA this year, and I hope you will join us in New York City this June so we can reconnect with colleagues and benefit from the expert discussions, critical updates, and innovative guidance you've come to expect from the premier immigration law event of the year!

Sincerely,

Allen Orr AILA President

