

## PRESENTERS:

**Immigration Judge Lawrence Burman.** Immigration Court Judge in Memphis, Tennessee.

**Rehim Babaoglu, Partner at Thomas, Hendrix.** Mr. Babaoglu has been repeatedly honored in the “Best Lawyers in America” for his work in Immigration and Consumer Law. In 2007, he was selected as one of the “150 best Lawyers in Tennessee” by Business Tennessee magazine.

**David Esquivel, Partner at Bass, Berry & Sims.** Significant trial experience, representing the firm’s clients before federal court. Very active in the community and in *pro bono* matters. He serves as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Justice Center and Vice-Chair of the state bar association’s Access to Justice Committee.

**Dawn Gerhart, Managing Attorney for Immigrant Legal Clinic at the TN Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence.** The Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence is a private nonprofit organization composed of diverse community leaders and program members who share a common vision of ending violence in the lives of Tennesseans through public policy, advocacy, education and activities that increase the capacity of programs and communities to address violence.

**Nina Keres, Program Coordinator, National Center for Refugee & Immigrant Children.** *Pro bono* representation for immigrant children at the National Center for Refugee and Immigrant Children. Served as a Program Officer for International Adoptions at the Helsinki Metropolitan Social Services and as a Liaison Officer for the Service Center for Development Cooperation, an aid organization, in Mozambique.

**Alexandra MacKay, Stites & Harbison.** TBA Access to Justice Committee & 2004 TBA’s pro bono attorney of the year. Serves on the Access to Justice committee. Serves on the Board of Ten Thousand Villages of Nashville, Inc.. She also serves on the Board of Tennessee Justice Center.

**Sara McDowell, Senior Immigration Attorney, National Center for Refugee & Immigrant Children.** She works on legal and advocacy issues pertaining to migrating children nationwide. She was previously an Equal Justice Works Fellow with the Pennsylvania Immigration Resource Center (PIRC).

**Karla McKanders, Associate Professor, University of Tennessee College of Law.** Teaches in the Advocacy Clinic at the University of Tennessee. Students enrolled in the clinic practice before state courts and immigration courts on behalf of indigent clients.

**Spring Miller, Southern Migrant Legal Services** is project of Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, provides free legal services to migrant agricultural workers in Tennessee. Work concentrates on the employment-related legal problems of migrants.

**Margaret R. T. Myers, Partner at Adams and Reese LLP.** Extensive employment law practice. Currently representing minor child on a pro bono basis seeking Special Immigrant Juvenile Status in both the federal immigration and state juvenile court systems.

**Alistair Newbern, Assistant Clinical Professor of Law, Vanderbilt School of Law.** Directs the school’s Appellate Litigation Clinic. Students in the Clinic practice before the federal courts of appeals, representing clients who otherwise could not afford representation.

**Rachel Ross, Adams and Reese LLP.** Earned her Doctor of Jurisprudence *cum laude* from UT College of Law in 2008. She has recently worked on a large pro bono immigration case, assisting a child obtain Special Immigrant Juvenile Status in both the immigration and juvenile court systems.

**Kathy Thoreson, CEO/Director Lutheran Services in Tennessee.** Provided social services to unaccompanied minors in Davidson County.

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## Representing Unaccompanied Immigrant Children in Removal Proceedings



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# Representing Unaccompanied Immigrant Children in Removal Proceedings

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Come learn about representing Immigrant Children Within the State of Tennessee!



## PROGRAM

8:00 - 8:30 am

### Welcome & Introduction

David Esquivel, Attorney  
Bass, Berry & Sims, PLC

Karla McKanders, Associate Professor  
UT College of Law

Sara McDowell, Senior Immigration Attorney, National Center for Refugee & Immigrant Children

8:30 - 9:00 am

### Best Practices for Working with Unaccompanied Immigrant Children

Nina Keres, Program Coordinator, National Center for Refugee & Immigrant Children

9:00 - 9:30 am

### Court Procedures and EOIR Information

Rehim Babaoglu, Partner at Thomas, Hendrix, PLLC

- Identifying Key Agencies and Their Role in a Child's Case
- What to Expect – Master & Merits Hearings, Continuances, Briefs
- Overview of the Court's Rules and Procedures
- How to Make a Good Impression Before the Court

9:30 - 10:15 am

### Basic Asylum Law

Karla McKanders, Associate Professor, University of Tennessee College of Law  
Eligibility for Asylum; When and Where to File the Application;  
Particular Issues Relevant to Children's Asylum Cases

10:15 - 10:30 am

### Break

10:30 - 11:15 am

### Overview of Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS)

Sara McDowell, Senior Immigration Attorney, National Center for Refugee & Immigrant Children

- Eligibility and Requirements for SIJS
- Role of Various Courts and Agencies
- Consent Requirement – When Is It Needed?

Margaret Myers and Rachel Ross, Adams and Reese LLP

- Dependency Proceedings Davidson County Court

11:15 - 12:00 pm

### Other Forms of Relief for Children

Dawn Gerhart, Managing Attorney, Immigrant Legal Clinic, at the TN Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

Family Petitions, U Visa, T Visa, VAWA Visa, Termination Motions,  
Administrative Closure, Voluntary Departure

12:00 - 12:30 pm

### PANEL: Why Volunteer as a Pro Bono Attorney?

**MODERATOR:** Alistair Newbern, Assistant Clinical Professor of Law, Vanderbilt School of Law

Immigration Judge Lawrence O. Burman, Memphis, TN

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