

# THANK YOU TO OUR 2024 EB-5 INDUSTRY FORUM *Sponsors*



## Nysa EB-5

Nysa EB-5 specializes in EB-5-structured project financing, operating with an investor-centric, compliance-oriented service delivery model. Since 2014, we have been a recognized leader in the immigrant investor space, providing thought leadership to streamline processes and establishing standards that are now being adopted throughout the industry as best practices. During the pandemic, Congress did not provide a resolution authorizing the continuation of the program; however, Nysa EB-5 continued to review and make strategic changes to our processes in anticipation that the program would eventually be renewed. In March 2022, the passage of the EB-5 Reform and Integrity Act of 2022 reauthorized the EB-5 Regional Center Program for five years and provided several other updates and amendments to the program that the industry had been waiting for for many years. Nysa EB-5 embraces the changes and amendments and goes well beyond the baseline requirements to ensure a successful path to citizenship for our investors.



## Southeast Regional Center

Founded in 2010, SRC's regional designation has expanded to 10 states encompassing the Southeastern Automotive Corridor. SRC has managed five successful EB-5 funds for investment into rural area manufacturing projects. All investors into these funds whose petitions have been adjudicated have been approved for conditional residence or permanent residence. For those who have been approved for permanent residence, 100% of their principal investment has been returned. SRC's team consists of accomplished financial, real estate and legal professionals. SRC has also developed a team of trusted partners including: the former Chief Immigration Officer in charge of Regional Center designation and EB-5 petition adjudication, the former Chief of the Investment & Economic Analysis Division for the Department of Homeland Security, and highly respected and internationally known immigration attorneys.



Pine State Regional Center is a subsidiary of Arkansas Capital Corporation, one of the oldest economic development institutions in

the United States founded in 1957. We are a well-known non-profit organization with a heavy emphasis on risk control and our management team has a long track record of creating jobs and working closely with the state and federal government.

For 65 years, ACC has originated, structured, and executed development financing transactions to support economic growth, with an emphasis on rural and underserved areas. Pine State is dedicated to continuing that success through our EB-5 investment offerings, providing confidence and security for our EB-5 investors.



EB5 Capital provides qualified foreign investors with opportunities to invest in job-creating commercial real estate projects under the United

States Immigrant Investor Program (EB-5 Visa Program). As one of the oldest and most active Regional Center operators in the country, the firm has raised over \$1 billion dollars of foreign capital across more than 35 EB-5 projects. Headquartered in Washington, DC, EB5 Capital's distinguished track record and leadership in the industry has attracted investors from over 70 countries. In addition to U.S. permanent residency, EB5 Capital offers real estate private equity investments and non-U.S. Citizenship by Investment Programs.



CMB Regional Centers is a leading provider of EB-5 investment opportunities, focusing on job creation projects in targeted economic

areas throughout the United States. With a track record spanning more than 25 years, CMB has helped countless investors achieve immigration goals while contributing to regional economic development. Renowned for our expertise, transparency, and commitment to investor success, CMB Regional Centers stands at the forefront of the EB-5 Visa program.



Carrasquillo Law Group (CLG) is a boutique law firm consisting of a multi-disciplinary group of attorneys from various practice areas,

offering our clients –both domestic and international– a deep level of advisory experience regarding both their business and legal needs.

Our attorneys come from large law firms and international practices and understand the needs of our entrepreneurial-minded clients.

CLG's practice areas include Corporate & Securities, Immigration, Real Estate & Finance, International Tax, Litigation and Compliance Services. The EB-5 practice group focuses on all aspects of the EB-5 program. We bring an international perspective with a local understanding to our clients.



Founded in 1996, American Life, Inc. operates the country's longest-established EB-5 Regional Center program, having helped over 3,000

investors and their families immigrate to the United States through equity-based investment projects. American Life has completed more than 45 projects, and oversees an investor-owned portfolio of internationally-branded hotels, office buildings, and industrial and commercial real estate worth over \$1.5 billion USD. As an industry leader, we are actively working with IIUSA and the U.S. Congress to help shape the future of investment-based immigration to the United States. American Life is currently accepting investors for EB-5 projects under development through its partnership with Intermountain Hotel Group.



Customers Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE:CUBI) is one of the nation's top-performing banking companies with nearly \$22 billion in assets making it one of the 80 largest

bank holding companies in the US. A pioneer in Banking-as-a Service and digital banking products, Customers Bank's commercial and consumer clients benefit from a full suite of technology-enabled tailored product experiences delivered by best-in-class customer service.



Flagstar Bank is a leading regional bank with a balanced, diversified lending platform and a branch network of 420 locations. This includes strong footholds in the Northeast and Midwest, with exposure to high-growth markets in the

Southeast and on the West Coast. The Private Bank has banking teams with offices in over 10 cities in the Northeast, Florida, and on the West Coast. We embrace a single point of contact culture that enables us to offer dedicated and responsive service, drawing on the client-centric culture of one of America's largest and most well-regarded regional banks.



Fragomen is the world's leading provider of immigration services, providing immigration services in more than 170 countries. Our Worldwide Private Client Practice helps individuals navigate and plan for their movement around the world to expand and secure their personal and financial security and stability, leverage global business opportunities and enhance their quality of life. Available in multiple countries, alternative citizenship and residency programs promote economic growth through investment and offer immigration benefits to investors.



JTC is a publicly listed, global professional services business with deep expertise in fund, corporate and private client services. Every JTC person is an owner of the business, and this fundamental part of our culture aligns us with the best interests of all our stakeholders. Our

purpose is to maximize potential, and our success is built on service excellence, long-term relationships and technology capabilities that drive efficiency and add value.

JTC provides a full suite of bespoke Fund Administration solutions across multiple asset classes (private equity, real estate, venture capital, debt, impact, Opportunity Zones, insurance dedicated funds) in the US and abroad. As the industry leader in Specialty Financial Administration, the company offers purpose-built solutions for markets characterized by high administrative and regulatory complexity, elevated transaction security needs, and challenging compliance requirements, including EB-5, 1031 Exchange, and Delaware Statutory Trusts. Along with their Private Client, Trustee, and Corporate Services divisions, JTC's US Institutional Client Services team combines sector-specific expertise with industry-leading technology to be a true partner in growth for our clients.

To learn more, visit [JTCGroup.com](http://JTCGroup.com).



Globevisa Group, established in 2002, is an immigration advice provider based in Singapore that offers services on different immigration programs meticulously selected by Globevisa's expert team. With 39 offices dotted around the world serving clients from 96 countries or regions, running over 300 programs, covering major cities in Asia, Americas, Europe and Oceania, Globevisa has a truly global perspective and is dedicated to realizing relocation dreams for people worldwide.



HC Global is a financial services firm with a commitment to white-glove bespoke services. Since 2008, we have steadily grown into a powerhouse team, delivering services across Fund Administration, Accounting and Bookkeeping, Tax and Compliance.

HC Global has its footprint beyond San Francisco, with offices in key operating hubs in Philippines, Canada, BVI, India, and Singapore. Leveraging our global experience and robust connections, we offer customized solutions, enabling our clients to navigate complex regulatory environments.



Metropolitan Commercial Bank (the "Bank") provides a broad range of business, commercial and personal banking products and services to individuals, small businesses, private and public middle-market and corporate enterprises and institutions, municipalities, and local government entities.

Metropolitan Commercial Bank was named one of Newsweek's Best Regional Banks and Credit Unions 2024. The Bank was ranked by Independent Community Bankers of America among the top ten successful loan producers for 2023 by loan category and asset size for commercial banks with more than \$1 billion in assets.



Burr & Forman’s experienced legal team serves clients with local, national, and international legal needs. With industry strengths in financial institutions, manufacturing, health care, and food and beverage sectors, our attorneys

draw from a diverse range of backgrounds to serve as trusted business advisors and legal counsel to help clients achieve their goals. Burr & Forman is a regional law firm with 350 attorneys in Alabama, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.



Meyer Law Group provides immigration and legal services to corporations, small businesses, and start-ups. We offer unparalleled knowledge, unflagging quality, and long-term value to our clients. At MLG, we offer various types of immigration services, including immigrant and non-immigrant visas. Visit us at [www.meyerlawgroup.us](http://www.meyerlawgroup.us) to see how we can help you achieve your immigration dreams.

Our staff speaks nine different languages and is highly experienced in filing all types of immigration matters. Brandon Meyer brings over 23 years of experience in business immigration practice and is ranked in the Top 25 Immigration Attorneys in the EB-5 Industry. Paul Chen brings over 15 years of EB-5 experience and has represented Indian, Chinese and Vietnamese clients.

Our team specializes in providing immigration services for E-1, E-2, L-1, EB-5, H-1B, O-1, TN, and National Interest Waivers. We also provide immigration compliance services for startups and multinational corporations.



InvestAmerica provides comprehensive advisory, compliance, and placement services to EB-5 Regional Centers since 2012. Our experienced registered financial professionals lead our capital raising efforts across the globe prioritizing due diligence, compliance, and investor protection with a 100% visa approval success rate. Our EB-5 team includes Mike Xenick, Irina Rostova, Vivek Tandon, Fabiola Bueno, Marcelo Salas, Paul Heuwetter and Ruben Ignacio Briceno. Securities offered by Sequence Financial Specialists LLC, member FINRA/SIPC.



Established in 2012 by Steve Smith, EB5 Coast to Coast is one of the largest owners of Regional Centers in the country, with coverage spanning every state, except Alaska. Our RC’s sponsor dozens of projects with hundreds of investors. As the RC sponsor, we offer competitive pricing and a comprehensive compliance role.



Hilton Global Associates, an investigative due diligence firm, can mitigate risk for investors, and regional centers by conducting enhanced due diligence background checks on projects and applicants. An authorized due diligence provider for CBI programs, Hilton Global’s team has significant experience in order to obtain critical intelligence.



Peng & Weber handles all aspects of EB-5 from setting up regional centers and projects to filing high volumes of investor petitions. Firm leaders, Elizabeth Peng and Cletus M. Weber, have both served on AILA’s national EB-5 Committee, and Mr. Weber currently serves on the Board of Directors of IIUSA.



CanAm, with 35 years of experience in immigration-linked investment funds, has built partnerships with Fortune 500 companies,

multinational enterprises, and regional developers so that we can provide EB-5 investors with top-tier EB-5 investment opportunities tailored to their immigration and investment objectives. CanAm, in its 20 years in the EB-5 Program, has raised \$3+ billion in EB-5 capital, and more importantly, has had 51 projects repaid to date totaling \$2.25+ billion. It counts 5,200+ conditional green card approvals and 2,600+ permanent green card approvals among its CanAm investor families.



Houston EB5 is a USCIS-certified regional center founded in 2011 by Roberto Contreras Sr.,

a former EB-5 immigrant. We specialize in managing over \$1.3 billion in project costs nationwide and sponsor more than 1,400 green cards. Our team, composed of immigrants working for immigrants, ensures personal service and direct partnership with clients, achieving successful I-526E and I-829 approvals through dedicated communication.



O’Brien-Staley Partners (OSP) is a Minnesota-based investment manager

focused on credit intensive assets. Since 2010 OSP has recapitalized loans with private sector capital across all asset classes including hospitality. In the process, OSP gained an understanding of the nuances of various federal programs including EB-5, NMTC, SBA 504, USDA, etc.”



Founded in 2008, American Dream Fund has been successfully promoting EB-5 investment across the United States in job-creating real estate-based investments. American Dream Fund is proud of

the many immigration success stories all the way through to the permanent resident green card. And since 2008, we have been a proud supporter of IIUSA, serving multiple times on its Board of Directors, and continuing to serve on the President's Advisory Council.

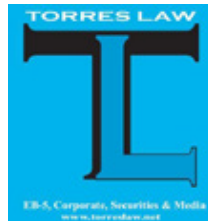


Kurzban Kurzban Tetzeli and Pratt P.A. ("KKTP") is the leading law firm in complex immigration litigation in the United

States, including specializing in EB-5 litigation. KKTP has litigated over 50 federal immigration cases, has argued in the Supreme Court and the lower federal courts, & obtained the only EB-5 circuit court precedent decision in *Chang v. U.S.*, 327 F.3d 911 (9th Cir. 2003). KKTP successfully represents regional centers and investors in federal courts to review denials of I-526 and/or I-829 petitions, mandamus actions to obtain adjudications, and representing individual investors who seek review of their denied I-829 petitions in removal proceedings before the immigration court.



Baker Tilly is a leading advisory CPA firm consistently recognized by the EB-5 industry as a top service provider, specializing in EB-5 economic job creation studies, business plans, and fund administration services. Baker Tilly's extensive track record is a testament to its unmatched expertise, guiding clients through the complexities of the EB-5 process with personalized, end-to-end support.



Torres Law, P.A., is widely recognized as a leading EB-5 corporate and securities law firm. Our core mission is to provide incisive no-nonsense advice, unparalleled service, and top tier work product. Since 2010 we have successfully counseled and guided numerous regional centers, developers and issuers through the ever-changing EB-5 landscape, including many EB-5 sponsors engaged in hotel development, multi-family, senior living, healthcare, mining and franchise projects.



WA Law Group, LLC is a boutique immigration law firm in Rockville, MD, focusing on investment and employment immigration. We

provide exceptional legal service with 100% I-526 and I-829 approval track record with unparalleled service of less than 24-hour response time for our clients.



Klasko Immigration Law Partners' accomplished EB-5 team is led by Ronald Klasko, Daniel Lundy, and Anu Nair. Ron and Dan co-counseled the successful litigation that resurrected the regional center program. The firm files hundreds of I-526 petitions a year, structures hundreds of compliant projects, and is a leader in representing regional centers and investors with problematic projects.



Tristani Law, LLC is an immigration law firm based in the Washington, D.C. metro area specializing in client-centered and strategic immigration solutions for investors, high-skilled professionals, employers, and families. With over a decade of experience, Tristani Law provides robust, creative and successful legal options for immigrants from around the globe.



Surprised to learn that we have been in the investment banking sector for over twenty-five years and the scope of our business including compliance matters? That is most likely because we like being small and independent for two reasons. Whyte and Co. is a diversified financial services company that does not easily square into just one business sector. The firm has made the conscious decision to focus our efforts on gathering top talent, with the expertise to lead in every sector, and building an unmatched platform to best serve our clients and return value to shareholders. Rather than waste resources on self-promotion or chasing down the competition, we let our performance speak for itself.



WR Immigration is a full-service, top-rated immigration law firm that provides strategic, client-centered services combining immigration thought leadership with award-winning technology.

WR serves a diverse client base ranging from Fortune 50 companies to leading academic/research institutions, to engineering firms, to technology companies. Founded by immigrants, our entire firm understands the challenges of immigration program management and has been providing solutions for over 35 years.



Jazayerli Law LLC is an immigration law firm based in Washington D.C., representing clients throughout the U.S. and globally achieve their U.S. immigration goals. With nearly 20 years of experience representing individuals and regional centers under the EB-5 visa program, the firm's principal and founder, Rana Jazayerli, is a recognized expert in the EB-5 industry.



FirstPathway Partners (FPP) helps foreign investors become United States Permanent Residents through the Department of Homeland Security Immigrant Investor EB-5 Program. Since 2008, FPP has assisted hundreds of immigrant investors from over 60 countries to obtain U.S. residency, and we have a 100% success rate of securing permanent Green Cards.



Founded in 1921, Saul Ewing LLP is a full-service law firm with 18 offices and over 400 attorneys around the United States. The Global Immigration & Foreign Investment Group has worked on well over 500 EB-5 projects accounting for more than \$10 billion of capital expenditures. This team has also worked with a few thousand EB-5 investors over the years.



Green Card Fund (GCF) is a proven EB-5 Regional Center supporting international families seeking residency-by-investment in the United States. Founded in 2009, GCF has supported more than 290 families, and \$425m of project developments that have had significant economic impact across the United States. Delivering reliable immigration outcomes for our investors, GCF's projects have achieved a 100% approval rate with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

Our dedicated team spans across the United States, with offices strategically located in Phoenix, Arizona; Columbus, Ohio; and Washington, DC. Furthermore, our representatives on the ground in foreign markets provide personalized support to our esteemed partners and investors. As a subsidiary of NewGen Worldwide, a dynamic hospitality investment platform, GCF possess unrivaled expertise in the hospitality and EB-5 industries.

Contact us about our latest EB-5 Senior Loan projects in Rural TEAs (targeted employment areas).



Ervin Cohen & Jessup is a full-service, California law firm with a robust real estate practice representing a diverse clientele engaged in construction, development, lending, brokerage, leasing and EB-5 investment. In fact, the firm's attorneys have closed more than USD \$800MM in EB-5 deals across the United States in the past decade. For more information, visit [www.ECJLaw.com](http://www.ECJLaw.com).

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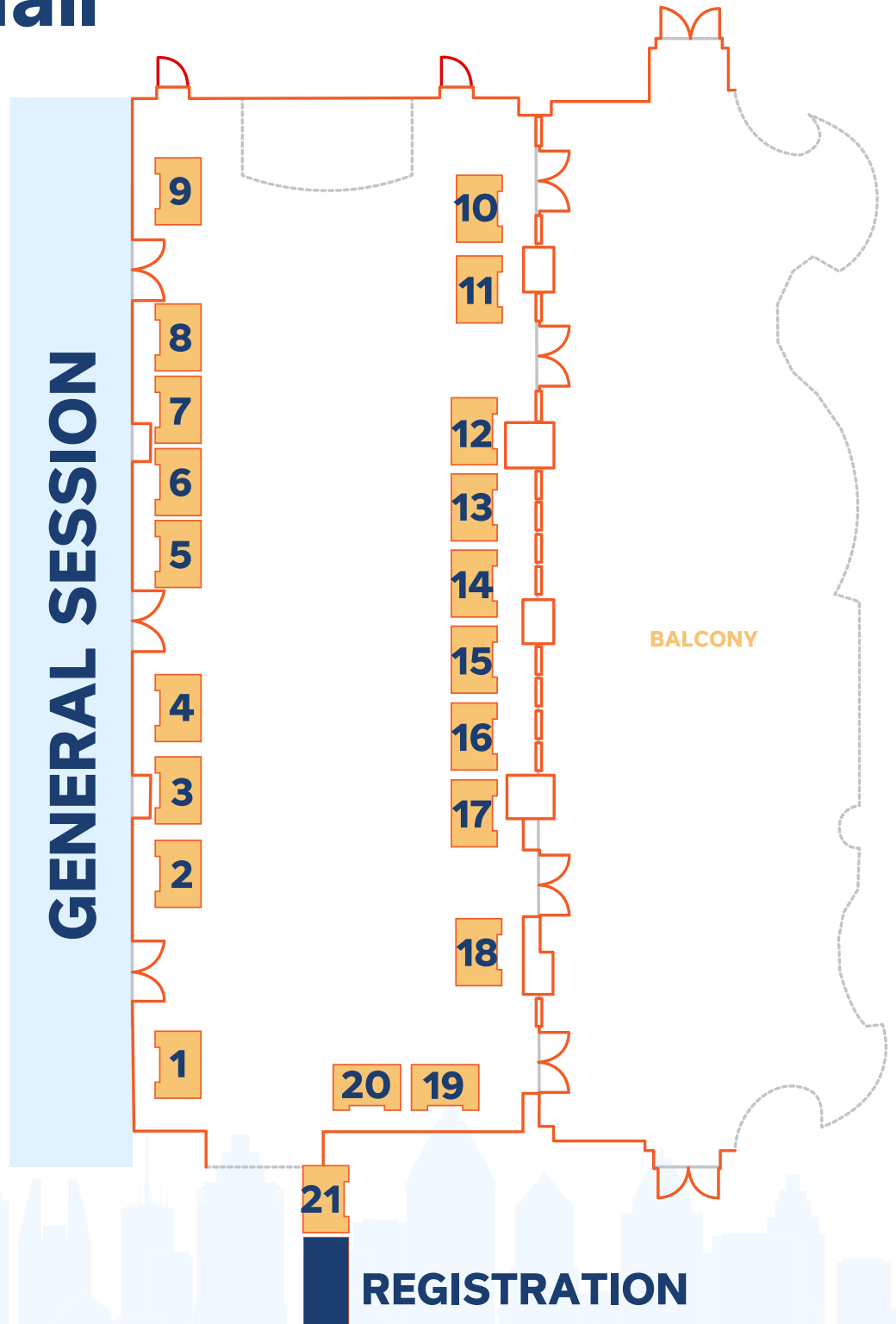


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