

## 2018-2019 Member Benefits Information Sheet

### Summary of Benefits

Thank you for your partnership with the National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild (NIPNLG)! Our membership year runs from **July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019**, and does not pro-rate. As a member, you are entitled to:

1. **Technical assistance** from our staff of nationally recognized legal experts
2. **Subscription to dynamic listservs** on a range of immigration-related issues
3. **Discounts on Seminars and Publications**, including on *Kurzban's Immigration Law Sourcebook*, NIPNLG books and publications, and our CLE seminars
4. **Complimentary access to the [Immigration Advocates Network \(IAN\)](#)**, an online network of resource libraries, podcasts, and webinars
5. An opportunity to list your practice on our **[Find Attorney webpages](#)**, for an additional contribution--a very high-traffic online directory on our public website
6. **Listing in the National Immigration Project's Membership Directory**, a resource for networking with other progressive immigration law practitioners
7. Special discounted rates on first-time membership in the **[National Lawyers Guild](#)**



### DID YOU KNOW...?

- You may view the NIPNLG Membership Directory, update your contact information, check your membership status, review a history of all your transactions, and more, by **clicking [LOGIN](#) in the upper right of our website**.  
Please [contact us](#) if you need help logging in to your NIPNLG member account.
- Membership Dues may often be deducted as a business expense.
- NIPNLG is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization under IRS code, EIN # 95-2926663; and all contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

Please consider **becoming a Sponsor** of NIPNLG. Sponsors are valuable friends who play a leadership role in sustaining NIPNLG's immigrant rights work. In addition to the above benefits, Sponsors (dues rate @ \$400/, \$600/, or \$1200+/year) receive:

- **A complimentary listing** on the National Immigration Project's **[Find Attorney webpage](#)** of our public website
- **Extension of your member benefits to 2 or up to 5 additional individuals**, for \$600 and \$1,200 Sponsors only, respectively.

If you would like to create a tailored Sponsorship package for your firm, please contact **[Pamela Goldstein](#)**, Director of Development & Communications: **617-227-9727 x5**  
[pamela@nipnlg.org](mailto:pamela@nipnlg.org).

## Detailed Description of Benefits

### 1. Technical Assistance:

As a member, you are entitled to receive technical assistance from one of our legal experts. Below each practitioner's name is a list of their areas of expertise. Technical assistance requests are answered as expediently as possible, although during busy periods, a longer period of time may be required.

The preferred method for requesting Technical Assistance from NIPNLG staff is ***via email***. Please state **"Member Question"** in the Subject Line. If you contact us by telephone, please identify yourself as a current member.

- **Dan Kesselbrenner, Executive Director:** [dan@nipnlg.org](mailto:dan@nipnlg.org) 617-227-9727 x2
  - Immigration consequences of criminal convictions
  - Post-conviction relief
  - Removal defense
  - Enforcement issues
- **Paromita Shah, Associate Director:** [paromita@nipnlg.org](mailto:paromita@nipnlg.org) 617-227-9727 x1
  - Enforcement issues
  - Bond and detention
  - Gang-related issues
  - Immigrant rights and response to enforcement
- **Sejal Zota, Legal Director:** [sejal@nipnlg.org](mailto:sejal@nipnlg.org) 617-227-9727 x108
  - Immigration consequences of criminal convictions
  - *Padilla* issues and post-conviction relief
  - Removal defense
  - Administrative Removal (238(b))
  - Enforcement issues
- **"Julie" Yihong Mao, Enforcement Fellow:** [julie@nipnlg.org](mailto:julie@nipnlg.org) 617-227-9727 x6
  - Civil Rights
  - Enforcement issues
  - Removal defense
  - Grassroots campaign support

- **Elizabeth Simpson, Senior Staff Attorney:** [elizabeth@nipnl.org](mailto:elizabeth@nipnl.org) 617-227-9727 x8
  - Detention Conditions
  - Civil Rights
  - Motions to Suppress
  
- **Khaled Alrabe, Attorney:** [khaled@nipnl.org](mailto:khaled@nipnl.org) 617-227-9727 x3
  - Terrorism bars
  - Immigration Consequences of Convictions
  - Civil Rights

## 2. National Immigration Project Listservs

**WHAT:** As a member, you are entitled to join the National Immigration Project's immigration-related listservs, which provide a forum for our members to discuss legal questions, receive up-to-date information on legal developments, circulate briefs and advisories, celebrate victories, discuss challenges, exchange support, announce seminars, and more.

**HOW:** To subscribe, please [email Ana Manigat for your listserv subscription](#).

Due to improved security at yahoogroups, our listserv host, we are no longer able to add members directly. Instead you will receive an **invitation link** from yahoogroups, to which you **MUST** respond (from your desired email address), in order to complete your listserv subscription.

### **LISTSERVS facilitated, moderated, or supported by NIPNLG:**

- 1. National Immigration Project Membership Listserv:** An interactive discussion space for questions and issues pertaining to all aspects of immigration law casework. This listserv is exclusive to National Immigration Project Members. To post messages to this listserv, use [Nationalimmigrationproject@yahoogroups.com](mailto:Nationalimmigrationproject@yahoogroups.com).
- 2. Criminal and Immigration Listserv:** A vibrant discussion of all issues pertaining to the intersection of immigration and criminal law. This listserv is exclusive to National Immigration Project Members. To post messages to this listserv, use [Crimimm@yahoogroups.com](mailto:Crimimm@yahoogroups.com).
- 3. Mental Competency in Immigration Proceedings Listserv:** Co-administered by NIPNLG members/NIPNLG, this is a collaborative discussion space for issues pertaining to noncitizens with mental competency issues, including litigation, rights protection, emerging legal developments, and country conditions resources. This list is exclusive to those who represent noncitizens including attorneys, accredited representatives, and legal workers. To join this listserv please [use this link](#).

### 3. Discounts on Publications and Seminars

Members are eligible for discounts on all NIPNLG [Continuing Legal Education \(CLE\) seminars](#) offered nationwide, on [Kurzban's Immigration Law Sourcebook](#) and on other NIPNLG publications, including Dan Kesselbrenner and Lory Rosenberg's treatise, [Immigration Law and Crimes](#). To request your Kurzban discount, please [email Pamela Goldstein with the subject line: "Seeking Kurzban Discount."](#)

### 4. Complimentary access to the Immigration Advocates Network (IAN).

[Immigration Advocates Network/IAN](#) is an online network of resource libraries, podcasts, and webinars that supports advocates working on behalf of immigrant rights. This valuable resource is only available to non-profit attorneys and advocates, and to NIPNLG members. [CLICK HERE to register](#), and indicate that you are a current NIPNLG member by including your member record number in your correspondence.

### 5. Online Referral/Find Attorney page

For an additional contribution of \$120/year, NIPNLG members may publicize their legal practice on the National Immigration Project's [Find Attorney](#) webpages, organized by state, and including your areas of legal specialization. This directory has become a very high-traffic area of our public website since the new U.S. administration took office in January, 2017.

### 6. Listing in the National Immigration Project's Membership Directory

Available online to members only [by logging in to your member account](#), this compendium of NIPNLG members is a great way to network with other progressive immigration law practitioners in your area, and contact those with special expertise relevant to your practice. Information in the Membership Directory includes contact info for all members, areas of specialization, years in practice, languages spoken, and more.

### 7. National Lawyers Guild membership

NIPNLG members are eligible to become NEW/first time members of the [National Lawyers Guild \(NLG\)](#) at a discounted rate of \$50.00, thereafter paying only the NLG sliding scale or local chapter rate. To join NLG, please [click here](#), indicate that you are a current NIPNLG member, and include your member record number in your correspondence.

*Membership dues provide essential fuel for NIPNLG's work for over 48 years.*

*If we may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.*

*We look forward to working with you to advance immigrants' rights!*

