

Representing Immigrant Workers Facing Sex Discrimination: Current Best Practices and Strategies

OUR SPEAKERS



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Marisa Díaz brings over ten years of experience in advocating for immigrant workers' rights to her position as the Director of the National Employment Law Project's Immigrant Worker Justice Program (IWJ). Through the IWJ program, Marisa works alongside worker centers and other partners to expand and defend immigrant workers' rights and to build power in the workplace so all workers, regardless of their immigration status, can thrive in good jobs.

Prior to joining NELP, Marisa was a Senior Staff Attorney in Legal Aid at Work's National Origin & Immigrants' Rights Program, where she represented immigrant and other workers in discrimination and retaliation cases and engaged in policy advocacy and community education. Marisa began her legal career as a law clerk to the Honorable Michael Daly Hawkins of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and then as a legal fellow at Equal Rights Advocates.

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Diana Marin is a Senior Counsel at Blanchard Walker PLLC. Her legal career has been dedicated to vindicating the rights of vulnerable workers at the intersection of immigration and employment law. She has litigated sexual harassment cases on behalf of immigrant women and women in male-dominated industries. Diana's movement lawyering approach to legal advocacy was developed in New York City, where she worked alongside grassroots community organizers to fulfill their policy and advocacy goals. Diana has represented diverse groups of workers across many industries, including farmworkers, food workers, day laborers, and domestic workers. Diana currently focuses on impact litigation and complex employment matters on behalf of Michigan workers.



ADILENE NUÑEZ HUANG
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Adilene Nuñez Huang joined Tahirih in 2018. Adilene is currently the Director of Client Experience at the Tahirih Justice Center, where she sets the vision for survivor screenings, program evaluation, and case data management. Adilene led the Afghan Asylum Project, where Tahirih and a pro bono network of over 400 pro bono attorneys provided services to over 200 Afghan survivors who were evacuated out of Afghanistan in August 2021. She most recently served as the Co-Director of Client Advocacy, Legal Services, where she oversaw the legal department and the interdisciplinary client service delivery model.

Adilene is an active member of the AILA DC chapter and has served on a variety of local and national committees. She has written on bond issues, cancellation of removal for non-lawful permanent residents and has spoken at the national AILA conference and local chapter conference. Adilene regularly hosts trainings for the Tahirih Pro Bono network to help pro bono attorneys develop practical, trauma-informed, and client-centered best practices for working with immigrant survivors of violence. Prior to joining Tahirih, Adilene advocated for immigrants at a boutique immigration law firm in Washington, DC.