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Melanie Gurley Keeney practices in Immigration, Employment and Education law representing corporations, institutions of higher education, and individuals in immigration matters, including obtaining temporary and permanent visas, employer sanctions issues, I-9 compliance, E-Verify, consular processing and naturalization. She was named St. Louis Best Lawyers "Immigration Law-Lawyer of the Year" for 2019, 2015 and 2012, and "Education Law Lawyer of the Year" for 2017. Since 1997, she has been listed in *St. Louis Magazine's* "St. Louis' Best Lawyers" and in "The Best Lawyers in America." She is listed in the areas of Employment Law – Management, Immigration Law, and in Education Law. She has been named to "Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers," as a "Top 50" Woman Lawyer in Missouri and Kansas. In 2016, Missouri Lawyers Weekly awarded Melanie the Women's Justice Litigation Practitioner Award. In 2014, Washington University School of Law honored Melanie with the International Women's Day Award for Employment Law. Melanie also represents public and private employers in the full gamut of employment issues, including state and federal litigation. She is a featured speaker and provides preventive employment law services, including supervisor training and compliance audits. Melanie is a founding Shareholder of the Firm and serves as Chairperson. She graduated from Baylor University, *phi beta kappa*, and from Washington University School of Law.



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Mr. Rami Fakhoury is the founder and Managing Director of Fakhoury Global Immigration, USA PC (FGI). FGI specializes in U.S. and global business-based immigration. The firm's clients represent many of the world's innovative brands in the automotive, IT, engineering, architecture, and health care industries. For over twenty years, Mr. Fakhoury's emphasis on thought leadership and service excellence has enabled FGI to become one of the largest independently-owned immigration law firms in the U.S. FGI distinguishes itself from traditional immigration law firms through the application of technology-driven solutions and Six Sigma processes.



Mr. Fakhoury has received multiple recognitions such as being named as a Fellow of the American Bar Association, a 2018 Leading Lawyer and Equity Member of the Alliance Business Immigration Lawyers, a Global Immigration Thought Leader by Who's Who Legal, Super Lawyers 2017, and a Global Detroit Champion Award in 2016. FGI has been honored as an AV ranked firm with Martindale-Hubbard, a U.S. News and World Report Best Law Firm for 2016 and 2017, and Corporate NTL's Global Immigration Law Firm of the Year for Excellence. These awards attest to Mr. Fakhoury's outstanding legal thinking, his high ethical standards, and the excellent results his firm produces for its clients. His thought leadership is further demonstrated by his authoring and editing of five immigration law books, his regular contributions to news sources, and his sought-after advice on immigration policy reform.



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