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### We bring our clients international perspective with a local understanding

CLG is a boutique law firm with experience advising international and domestic clients with their business and legal needs in the United States, as well as worldwide clients with their international business and legal needs.

Our attorneys come from large law firms and international practices and understand the needs of our entrepreneurial clients. Our firm provides the opportunity for high-level partners to work more closely with their clients in a more intimate and cost-effective environment.

Our goal is to effectively represent entities and individuals by guiding them through the necessary steps for a successful transaction.

CLG's team consists of a multi-disciplinary group of attorneys from different practice areas who are able to assist clients through an integrated approach.

## **Our Practice Areas**

- **Business & Corporate:** 
  - Economic Incentives
  - FinTech
  - Mergers & Acquisitions and **Joint Ventures**
  - Securities
  - Tax Credits
- Business Immigration
- EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program **Services and Compliance**
- Government Affairs

- Green Energy
- International
  - Latin America and the Caribbean
  - Puerto Rico
- Litigation
- Qualified Opportunity Zones
- Real Estate and Real Estate Finance
  - Affordable Housing and **Community Development**
- Taxes



## **EB-5 Program Services and Compliance Practice Group**

CLG's EB-5 Program Services and Compliance Practice Group is a multidisciplinary group of attorneys drawn from different practice areas, who provide an integrated approach for clients with matters involving the EB-5 Program.

## Our EB-5 Services

#### **Corporate and Securities**

Advise developers, regional centers and investors on investments, securities, and corporate organizations related to EB-5 securities offerings and federal and state securities laws, including exemptions from registration requirements and the preparation of proper disclosure documents.

#### **Real Estate**

We assist developers and financial institutions with real estate and finance matters involving EB-5 investments, including negotiation and review of secured loan and investment documents, as well as advising on acquisitions, leases, and closings.

#### Litigation

Our EB-5 Group represents EB-5 investors in litigation issues, as plaintiffs against regional centers and EB-5 projects involving failure, fraud or corporate matters, including the repayment of their investments. We also represent EB-5 regional centers or issuers as defendants in U.S. SEC Commission enforcement actions or other litigation or arbitration proceedings involving the EB-5 Program.

#### **Business Immigration**

We represent investors and regional centers in complying with all aspects of immigration law. Our team has experience assisting investors and regional centers, including the preparation and review of USCIS Regional Center designation for project pre-approvals and amendments (Form I-924), Annual Reporting (Form I-924A), I-526 petitions and I-829 petitions.

#### **Taxes**

We advise clients interested in the EB-5 Program on global strategies for pre-inmigration tax and estate planning to minimize their U.S. and foreign tax liabilities.

#### **Government Affairs**

Our Government Affairs team monitors policy developments regarding the EB-5 Program's reauthorization and provisions. We also advise our clients on how to work with regulatory agencies, such as USCIS and DHS, to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations governing the EB-5 Program.

#### **Compliance Services**

We work with developers and regional centers to determine their compliance needs, establish procedures for annual reporting requirements, advise them in managing their compliance documentation, and help them to alleviate any immigration and compliance related risks.







## IMMIGRATION FOR BUSINESS AND FAMILY

### **TYPES OF VISAS**

#### **WORK VISAS**

- H-1B Highly Skilled
- H-2A/ & H-2B Agriculture & Non-Agriculture
- I Representatives of Foreign Media
- L-1A & L-1B Intracompany Transferees
- O-1A & O-1B Extraordinary Skill in fields (arts, science, education, etc.)
- P-1 Athletes or Performers
- R-1 Religious Workers
- OTHER SPECIAL WORK VISAS
  - H-3: Temporary, non-immigrant visas for individuals who are entering the U.S. to receive training or education in fields outside of graduate level medical, that is not available in the foreign country or for those individuals who will participate in special training that provides practical training for children with disabilities. (uscis.gov).
  - P-3: Visa for those individuals or groups coming to participate in cultural even or events that will further the understanding of that culture, tradition, etc. through the use of various methods of teaching or developing (i.e. music, artistic performance, etc.)

#### **INVESTMENT VISAS**

- E-1 International Trade
- E-2
- EB-5

#### **STUDENT VISA**

• F-1 - Academic

#### TOURIST AND TEMPORARY VISAS

- B-1 Business Travel
- B-2 Tourist

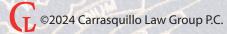
#### **FAMILY BASED GREEN CARD**

- Spouse
- K1

NATURALIZATION (Citizenship)

**LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENCE** 

**EB GREEN CARDS** 





### **Puerto Rico Practice Group**

CLG's Puerto Rico Practice Group is a multi-disciplinary group of attorneys focused on assisting clients with their transactions involving Puerto Rico. Our thorough understanding of Puerto Rico's cultural, legal, and business climate enables us to represent our clients in many industries, including Hospitality, Affordable Housing, Assisted Living, Financial Services, Construction, Infrastructure Financing, Entertainment & Media, as well as Renewable Energy.

We routinely handle a wide range of complex issues, and our experience enables us to deliver sophisticated legal services in a highly efficient manner, all while helping our clients navigate the available economic opportunities and tax incentives Puerto Rico offers.

### **Puerto Rico Code of Incentives (Act 60)**

Our experienced team of attorneys assists clients in minimizing their tax liabilities through the effective use of economic and tax incentives under the Puerto Rico Code of Incentives (Act 60), including, but not limited to:

- Export Services and Commerce (formerly Act 20)
- Individual Investors (formerly Act 22)
- International Financial Entities (formerly Act 273)
- Private Equity Funds (formerly Act 185)
- Manufacturing (formerly Act 73)
- Film Industry Economic Incentives (formerly Act 27)
- Green Energy Incentives (formerly Act 83)
- Tourism Development (formerly Act 74)

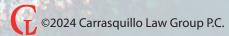
#### **Our Clients**

We represent clients doing business in Puerto Rico, including:

- Developers
- Investors
- Financial Institutions
- Syndicators
- Municipalities

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## Affordable Housing and Community Development Practice Group

CLG's Affordable Housing and Community Development Practice Group is a multi-disciplinary group of seasoned attorneys and former government officials who assists clients with their affordable housing, senior housing, assisted living, mixed finance, multifamily housing and community development matters.

#### **Our Clients**

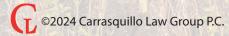
We represent developers, lenders, owners, investors, syndicators, general contractors, states and municipalities on the development and finance of affordable housing projects. Our team assists our clients through all stages of their developments — from the initial analysis, structuring and strategizing to the closing and post-closing restructuring and compliance — for a successful project.

#### **Our Services**

We advise our clients with their Affordable Housing and Community Development needs, including:

- Secured lending
- Acquisition financing
- Construction and permanent mortgage financing
- Loan Syndications and participations
- Letters of credit
- Tax-exempt bond financing for housing and community development
- 4% and 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), Historic Tax Credits (HTC) and New Market Tax Credits (NMTC)
- Energy conservation financing programs, including energy performance contracting (EPC) and power purchase agreements (PPA)
- EB-5 Financing
- Use of the Qualified Opportunity Zone (QOZ) program to finance residential rental housing

Our team members guide our clients through the requirements and intricacies of transactions in an effort to help make their affordable housing and community development projects viable and more efficient.



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# Our Attorneys

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Rogelio "Roy" Carrasquillo Managing Shareholder New York | Puerto Rico

Roy is the Managing Shareholder and founder of Carrasquillo Law Group. He has been providing strategic guidance and advice to clients in a variety of complex and sophisticated legal transactions for over 20 years.

He advises domestic and foreign multinationals, companies, entrepreneurs on their business activities and investment considerations in the United States and throughout Latin America, Asia, and Europe, including cross-border transactions. Prior to founding CLG, Roy worked with various U.S. and international law firms in New York, Puerto Rico and Shanghai, China. Roy leads CLG's Securities, Opportunity Zones and EB-5 practice groups. Roy graduated from Georgetown University and the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Marcos D. Vigil **Senior Consultant New York** 

Marcos is an experienced government executive and legal professional with a demonstrated history in administration, operations, reform, policy making, legal analysis, risk management, and economic development.

Prior to joining CLG, Marcos served as Jersey City's Deputy Mayor and Director of Housing, Economic Development and Commerce. Prior to that, Marcos served as Deputy Secretary of State for New York, leading, and managing the operations for its Divisions of Consumer Protection, Licensing Services, Corporations, Cemeteries and the NYS Athletic Commission. Previously, he practiced commercial and employment law in several New York City law firms.

Jorge A. Salichs Of Counsel Washington DC | Puerto Rico

Jorge is a corporate and government affairs attorney who specializes in corporate law, economic incentives, opportunity zones, commercial contracts advisory, government affairs. Jorge has built a niche practice advising companies and investors seeking to take advantage of Puerto Rico's corporate tax incentives and investment opportunities, and actively advocates for, and promotes the multiple economic development initiatives being carried out in Puerto Rico.

Jorge advises clients on corporate structuring, capital formation, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, corporate finance, real estate transactions, 1031 exchanges, opportunity zones, and infrastructure development, with an emphasis on Puerto Rico and Latin America.

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Barbara E. Ruiz-Gonzalez Of Counsel Florida

Barbara is a Florida Bar board certified tax attorney who focuses her practice in domestic and international tax. She also practices in the areas of corporate tax, exempt organizations, estate and gift tax planning, probate, federal income tax, with a strong emphasis on tax compliance. Additionally, she advises foreign and domestic clients on tax implications of cross-border transactions and advises on structuring and planning to maximize tax benefits under U.S. tax treaties to minimize overall U.S. and foreign taxes.

## Carolina Kripinski

Carolina is a business immigration and compliance attorney at Carrasquillo Law Group. She represents clients on a wide range of employment-based immigrant and non-immigrant visa matters, including students, trainees, professionals, executives, artists, entertainers, treaty investors persons of extraordinary ability and immigrant investors. She also represents regional centers and individual investors in the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program.

Carolina studied at Externado University of Colombia, University of Panthèon-Assas (Paris), University Complutense of Madrid, Instituto de Empresa and Barry University, School of Law. As an immigrant, she identifies with her clients and really enjoys providing them with legal advice.







Fulvio F. Cajina Of Counsel California

Fulvio, an experienced litigator in civil rights cases, employment law, discrimination, catastrophic injuries, and business disputes, has successfully represented both plaintiffs and defendants in state, federal and appellate courts. He also brings a corporate and business perspective and thorough understanding of corporate matters to his practice.

Fulvio started his career as a corporate associate in Manhattan at a boutique international law firm and prior to becoming an attorney he also worked in Washington, DC, at both the Federal Trade Commission and the Federal Reserve. Fulvio also has experience in litigation and arbitration proceedings related to the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program.

Alexander Rodriguez Florida

Alexander regularly advises clients on corporate transactions, alternative investments, capital raising, and Blockchain/Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT) related matters. He has experience advising investors, entrepreneurs and traditional and fintech startups through the different stages of corporate growth, including acting as outside general counsel for several of these companies

Prior to joining CLG, Alexander worked at a well-known boutique law firm in Boston, where his practice ranged from advising on corporate transactions to handling all aspects of civil litigation. Prior to practicing law, he successfully founded and operated several businesses in the legal-technology,

**Aaron Krowne** Of Counsel **New York** 

Aaron is an attorney who came to the practice of law following a career in computing and technology, in which he worked as a research data scientist and founded a series of online startup ventures, several of which attained national and global recognition.

medium-sized enterprises at Carrasquillo Law Group. He was one of the first lawyers globally to focus on blockchain in its fledgling days in 2009. Today, he advises a diverse array of blockchain and crypto companies in the rapidly growing cryptocurrency finance space.

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