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## **PRACTICE AREAS**

Employment & Labor

Immigration

Employment Litigation

## **COURT MEMBERSHIPS**

- Missouri

## **EDUCATION**

University of Missouri-Kansas  
City School of Law, J.D., 2006

Addis Ababa University,  
Ethiopia, B.A., *summa cum  
laude*, 1997

## **LANGUAGES**

- Amharic

# **Gizie D. Hirsh**

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Gizie Hirsh practices in all areas of business-related immigration law. She assists such national and local employers as architectural firms, educational institutions, manufacturers, entertainment firms, financial service firms and health care providers with immigrant and non-immigrant matters. She focuses her practice on representing employers before United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, the Department of Labor, and the Department of State on a wide variety of immigration matters. Gizie's experience includes the following:

- securing approvals for employers who wish to hire foreign nationals in various nonimmigrant categories, including H-1B (Specialty Workers), L-1 (Intra-company Transferees), TN (NAFTA Treaty Workers), O-1 (Individuals with Extraordinary Ability or Achievement), and R-1 (Religious Workers).
- obtaining J-1 waivers for foreign physicians.
- obtaining labor certifications from the Department of Labor for employers pursuing permanent resident status for their foreign national workers.
- obtaining immigrant petition approvals in the EB-1, EB-2, EB-3 and EB-4 categories.
- assisting foreign nationals to obtain permanent resident status.
- advising clients on I-9 compliance and E-Verify issues.

Gizie's experience during and prior to law school included three years as a law-clerk and paralegal at a boutique immigration firm in Atlanta, where she handled various business- and family-based immigration matters.

## Events

- Employment & Labor Law Seminar - Minneapolis Area  
May 4, 2022
- Employment & Labor Law Seminar - Kansas City Area  
April 12, 2022
- State of Litigation Virtual Event Series  
Session 1 - Wednesday, June 9; Session 2 - Wednesday, June 16;  
Session 3 - Wednesday, June 23

## Presentations

- Presenter, "Immigration Update," and "Immigration Q&A," Lathrop GPM 2023 Employment & Labor Law Seminar, October 24, 2023 (Minneapolis)
- Presenter, "Immigration Update: I-9 Compliance and Foreign National Issues," Lathrop GPM 2022 Employment & Labor Law Seminar, April 12, 2022 (Kansas City); May 4, 2022 (Minneapolis)
- Presenter, "Immigration Q&A," Lathrop GPM 2022 Employment & Labor Law Seminar, April 12, 2022 (Kansas City); May 4, 2022 (Minneapolis)
- Presenter, "Immigration Compliance," Associated Industries of Missouri (AIM), August 25, 2010

## Publications

- Cutting Immigration Programs is No Solution, *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*, June 26, 2009

## Client Alerts And Blog Posts

- Employment Alert: New Version of Form I-9 Mandatory Effective  
May 1, 2020  
May 1, 2020
- Immigration Alert: DHS Suspends In-Person Inspection Requirement for Form I-9 and Extends Response Time for Notices of Inspection  
March 27, 2020
- Employment Alert: USCIS to Open Registration for Cap-Subject H-1B Petitions on March 1, 2020  
February 14, 2020
- Employer Training on Release of Technology to Nonimmigrant Workers  
February 24, 2011

## In The News

- Law.com Features Profile on Gizie Hirsh  
July 14, 2021
- Cutting Immigration Programs Is No Solution  
June 26, 2009

## News Releases

- Lathrop GPM Partner Gizie Hirsh Named to 2024 POWER List for Immigration Law  
January 10, 2024
- Lathrop GPM LLP Hosts Diverse Professionals Network Retreat  
June 21, 2023
- Lathrop GPM Develops COVID-19 Client Response Team  
March 18, 2020
- Lathrop GPM Promotes Seven Attorneys to Partnership  
January 2, 2020
- Gizie Bekele Joins Lathrop Gage as Staff Attorney  
September 16, 2008

## Professional Affiliations

- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, Fellows Program, 2019
- American Immigration Lawyers Association
- The Missouri Bar
- American Bar Association, Labor & Employment Section

## Honors

- *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*, THE POWER LIST - Immigration Law, 2024