This third edition of *Immigration Options for Investors & Entrepreneurs* would not be a reality without the efforts of many devoted professionals who have contributed hundreds of hours of their scarce time. First, our gratitude must go out to Danielle Polen, Kathy Frazier and the entire team at AILA Publications. The members of AILA are so fortunate to have this immensely capable team to manage this excellent third edition. The work at AILA Publications, as evident with this publication in a niche segment of immigration, is critical to the development of legal practice. Thank you! We members of AILA can only hope you continue at it for many years to come.

The editorial team for this third edition is an elite group with deep practice experience, and it certainly shows with their insights and contributions to the editorial process. I have been blessed with the opportunity to work alongside them, some for more than a decade as this publication has run the course of three editions. I have learned from each of the editors, and there is no doubt our readers also will benefit from the editorial team. To David Morris, Ed Carroll, Cletus Weber, Susan Pilcher, Kristal Ozmun, and Estelle McKee: Be certain your contributions are very much appreciated.

This third edition continues the trend of featuring articles on interdisciplinary topics—on securities law, regional economics, sanctions law, to name just a few—and such an undertaking requires a village of professionals from a wide swath of varied experiences. These professionals, contributing their particular expertise, have helped the immigration bar raise the level of its game when it comes to immigrant investor practice.

Over the course of three editions, we have featured articles covering the investment immigration laws of other countries. Five jurisdictions are addressed in this third edition, some for a second or third time, as their laws continue to change. In all, the series has covered the laws of eight different countries. As a practitioner and advocate, I find this coverage to be useful as we strive to advance our best arguments for clients and look for fresh ideas on how to design and implement the most effective investment immigration laws.

Also featured here in the third edition is a larger selection of practice tools, how-to pieces, and Case Study materials. Along with the timely articles on topics in professional responsibility, these materials should equip the reader with the essentials for practicing competently and professionally in this complex practice area.

I am confident the reader will find much within these pages to treasure and will want this third edition close at hand as we represent immigrant investor clients.

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