



Saif Ali, Senior Associate

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Saif Ali is a Senior Associate in Monty & Ramirez LLP's immigration division focusing on Business Immigration. His practice spans the breadth of employment and family-based immigration matters, permanent residency, and citizenship.

Saif is well versed in nonimmigrant and immigrant employment-based visas such as the H-1B, H-1B1, TN-1 Canada and TN-2 Mexico (USMCA, formerly NAFTA), H-2A, H-3, as well as E treaty investors and L intracompany transferees. His immigrant employment-based visa practice includes the PERM Labor Certification process, as well as specialized employment-based petitions in the EB-2 National Interest Waiver category, EB-1 Extraordinary Ability and EB-1 Multinational Manager/Executive categories, and EB-5 Immigrant Investors.

Saif has also advised and represented clients through the intricacies of J-1 Exchange Visitor visas and physician waivers, and even Mandamus actions against the Federal Government for stalled immigration applications.

Saif relocated from Pakistan to Ottawa, Canada at a young age. After obtaining Canadian citizenship, he and his family moved from Canada to Katy, Texas. Saif watched his parents go through the employment-based immigration system and aspired to work in a field where he could make a difference for other people who were navigating the often-frightening immigration process. He graduated from Texas A&M University in 2016 with a degree in History. Saif was then accepted at the University of Houston's Law Center as a recipient of the Dean's Full Tuition Scholarship. While in law school, Saif worked with the Law Center's Immigration Clinic, where he assisted clients with a wide range of matters, from asylum claims and VAWA cases to Hague Convention international child abduction cases, giving him experience in matters outside employment-based and family immigration.

Saif also clerked at a local business immigration firm in Houston while attending law school and he then graduated from the Law Center and obtained his Juris Doctor in 2019. He joined Monty & Ramirez LLP as an Associate Attorney in 2021. In his spare time, Saif enjoys reading about history, traveling, and watching Texas A&M and Houston sports.

## **Education**

- University of Houston Law Center, J.D., 2019
- Texas A&M University, B.A. in History, 2016

## **Admitted to Practice**

• State Bar of Texas

## **Professional Activities**

- American Immigration Lawyers Association
- American Bar Association

### Awards/Accomplishments

- University of Houston Law Center Immigration Clinic
- University of Houston Law Center Dean's Full-Tuition Scholarship