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LAWYER  
REFERRALS



**ALLEVATO QUAIL & ROY**

405 - 510 W Hastings Street  
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saquail@aqrlaw.ca  
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- Notable experience working with LGBTQ+ folks: represented trans activist Morgane Oger in Oger v Whatcott at Human Rights Tribunal
- Experience representing migrant workers in employment law cases: Tadena v Dawat; Ortiz v Shokar in BC provincial court
- Can communicate in French and Italian

**JONATHON BRAUN**

Black Gropper  
1640 - 401 W Georgia Street  
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(604) 632-3386  
jbraun@blackgropper.com  
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- Employment law, contract reviews, severance reviews, enforcement of Employment Standards Act rights, constructive dismissal, human rights complaints
- Residential Tenancy Branch matters
- Considerable experience assisting individuals who are not English first-language speakers

**AIDAN CAMPBELL**

Mahon & Company  
1555 - 1500 W Georgia Street  
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aidan@mahonlitigation.com  
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- Refugee and immigration law (inadmissibility on medical, criminal, or national security grounds)
- Assisted LGBTQ+ people in immigration matters including refugee claims, pre-removal risk assessments, spousal sponsorships
- Provide services in “serviceable French”

**DOUGLAS CANNON**

Elgin, Cannon & Associates  
1402 - 409 Granville Street  
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(604) 683-0683  
dcannon@elgincannon.com  
www.elgincannon.com

- Has represented many LGBTQ+ refugee claimants and spousal applicants
- Has practiced immigration and refugee law for 25 years
- Firm includes a Farsi-speaking lawyer and Vietnamese-speaking staff



**KRISHA DHALIWAL**

Larlee Rosenberg  
600 - 555 W Georgia Street  
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krisha.dhaliwal@larlee.com  
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- Citizenship and immigration law
- Family immigration, spousal sponsorships, same-sex family immigration issues and intercountry adoption cases

**EMBARKATION**

Elgin, Cannon & Associates  
6th Floor, 609 W Hastings Street  
Vancouver, BC, V6B 4W4  
(604) 662-7466  
info@embarkation.ca  
www.embarkation.ca

- Visas and permits, Immigration, litigation & inadmissibility, sponsorship, Canadian status maintenance
- Refugee & Asylum
- Employer Support

**ROB HUGHES**

Out/Law Immigration  
214 Ash Street  
New Westminster, BC, V3M 3M3  
(604) 683-4176  
outlawimmigration@me.com  
www.outlawimmigration.com

- Only accepts refugee claims, PRRA applications and H&C applications based on sexual orientation, gender identity/ expression, or HIV status
- Same-sex sponsorship applications.
- Speaks French

**KYLE HYNDMAN**

McCrea Immigration Law  
101 - 440 Cambie Street  
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kyle@mccrealaw.ca  
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- Applications for permanent residence, same-sex sponsorships, citizenship, study and work permits, visas
- Immigration law including hearings and appeals before the immigration and refugee board and the Federal Court, enforcement and admissibility (medical and criminal)
- Firm serves in French, Russian, Ukrainian, Spanish, Tagalog, Portuguese, Cantonese



**KIRAT KHOSA**

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- Refugee and immigration
- Criminal defence
- Constitutional and Public Interest law

**FRANCES MAHON**

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- Specializes in immigration & refugee cases involving criminality (inadmissibility, danger opinions, and exclusion from refugee protection)

**KIRK W. OLEARNEK**

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- Immigration Law
- Referred by Rainbow Refugee

**KAY SCORER**

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- Refugee and Same-sex Sponsorship
- Human Rights Law
- Immigration Law
- Can speak casual Spanish



**MARINA L. SEDAI**

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- Economic class (skilled workers/entrepreneurs)
- Family class + Residency appeals
- Humanitarian & Compassionate class
- Study and work permits
- Criminal inadmissibility
- Employer compliance
- PR cards and Citizenship

**MOJDEH SHAHRIARI**

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- Refugee Law, Humanitarian and Compassionate consideration applications, pre-removal risk assessment applications
- Immigration Law, Sponsorships PR applications, visas
- Non-union employment grievances

**ZOOL SULEMAN**

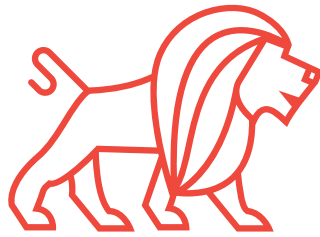
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- Canadian Immigration, Refugee and Citizenship Law
- Same-sex sponsorship
- Prefer to be contacted via email
- Can speak and understand Gujarati

**MEERA THAKRAR**

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- Immigration, refugee and citizenship
- Assists applicants to overcome inadmissibility on health or criminal grounds



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ADDITIONAL  
REFERRALS



**LEGIT  
CANADIAN IMMIGRATION  
FOR SAME-SEX PARTNERS**

1170 Bute Street  
Vancouver, BC, V6E 1Z6  
legitvancouver@gmail.com  
www.legit.ca

- A grassroots lobby and support group run by volunteers. Providing services without charge
- None of them are lawyers, but have decades of experience with same-sex sponsorship
- Can mostly provide services in English and Spanish, with some translation help in French

**MIGRANT WORKER CENTRE**

1170 Bute Street  
Vancouver, BC, V6E 1Z6  
(604) 669-4482  
info@mwcbc.ca  
www.mwcbc.ca

- Immigration Law
- Employment Law
- Labour Exploitation and Trafficking workshops

**RAINBOW REFUGEE**

1170 Bute Street  
Vancouver, BC, V6E 1Z6  
info@rainbowrefugee.ca  
www.rainbowrefugee.com

- Supports people seeking refugee protection because of persecution based on sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression (SOGIE) or HIV status.
- Supports and assists claimants through facilitated peer support, referrals, system navigation and accompaniment

**SOS—SETTLEMENT  
ORIENTATION SERVICES**

info@issbc.org  
www.issbc.org

- Supports refugee claimants in navigating Canada's refugee determination process.
- Provides first language settlement and housing services for refugee claimants in BC
- Supports refugees, refugee claimants and recent immigrants living with HIV

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